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THE POLICE BALL.

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Visitors who attended the annual function on Monday evening went away with pleasant memories of police hospitality. The venue was the City Hall, and despite a drizzling rain the attendance was quite up to the average, the ball room being well filled without being uncomfortably crowded. St. George's Hall which was used for dancing, was tastefully decorated and furnished, judicious use having been made of pot palms and festoons of greenery, which gave it quite a seasonable appearance. The band of the 2nd Battn. Duke of Cornwall's Light Infantry supplied a fine programme of music, and as the floor was in excellent condition the dancing, which lasted from nine o'clock till three, was thoroughly enjoyed. Supper was laid in St. Andrews' Hall, which was also prettily embellished, while the Chamber of Commerce room was used for cards.

Those who attended included Hon. Mr. McI. Messer, Captain Superintendent of Police, Mrs. Messer, Mr T. H. King, Acting Deputy Superintendent, and Mr G. B. Sayer, Assistant Superintendent.

Chief Inspector Gourlay, as chairman of the committee took a very practical interest both in the arrangement of the ball and its management last evening, and Detective-Sergt. Watt discharged the onerous duties of hon. secretary commendably well. The Masters of Ceremonies were Inspector Grant, Sergt. Clark and Police Constables Harron and Taylor; the bar was in charge of Det.-Sergt. H. G. Clarke, who had three European assistants from the force, Police Constables Reid, McFall and H. Wilson. Sergt. Testall and P.C. Coote managed the card room. Det.-Peplow looked after the whole of the financial matters, and Inspectors Watt and Grant were energetic stewards.

GRIM FIND IN A PIT.

Miners at the Usworth Colliery, Durham's broke through into a disused working, and there found a petrified pony, standing erect. Near by lay the carcases of three other ponies, also petrified. The discovery is a reminder of a mine explosion of twenty-eight years ago.

Messrs. F. W. Barker and Co. advise the following outputs for November:—Kanaboi Limited: Mine 35 piculs, tribute 166.83 piculs, total 201.83 piculs. Kinta Association: Mine 55 piculs, tribute 239.69 piculs, total 294.69 piculs.

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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1574

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XMAS HOLIDAY.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that all FIRE INSURANCE OFFICES will be CLOSED for the Transaction of Public Business on THURSDAY, FRIDAY and SATURDAY, 25th, 26th and 27th instant.

By Order,
A. R. LOWE,
Secretary.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1580

MARINE INSURANCE ASSOCIATION OF HONGKONG.

XMAS HOLIDAY.

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By Order,
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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1581

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CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR HOLIDAYS.

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By Order,
H. P. WINSLOW,
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Kowloon, Dec. 23, 1913. 1575

NOTICE.

ROYAL HONGKONG GOLF CLUB
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THE conditions of the HASTINGS CUP have been altered to the following:—18 Holes under HANDICAP against BOGEY, to be played before Tiffin on 26th December, 1913 i.e. intending competitors to Arrive not Later by the 9.40 a.m. train.

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Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1582

CHINESE TELEGRAPH ADMINISTRATION.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that on and after 1st JANUARY, 1914, all TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESSES, which were REGISTERED at this ADMINISTRATION before 27th September, 1913, and which have not been renewed since by Payment of a FEE of $12 for each Address, will be CANCELLED and Telegrams with cancelled addresses will not be delivered.

By Order,
WONG TING CHAN,
Local Manager.

Hongkong, Dec. 19, 1913. 1565

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMPANIES ORDINANCE, 1865

AND

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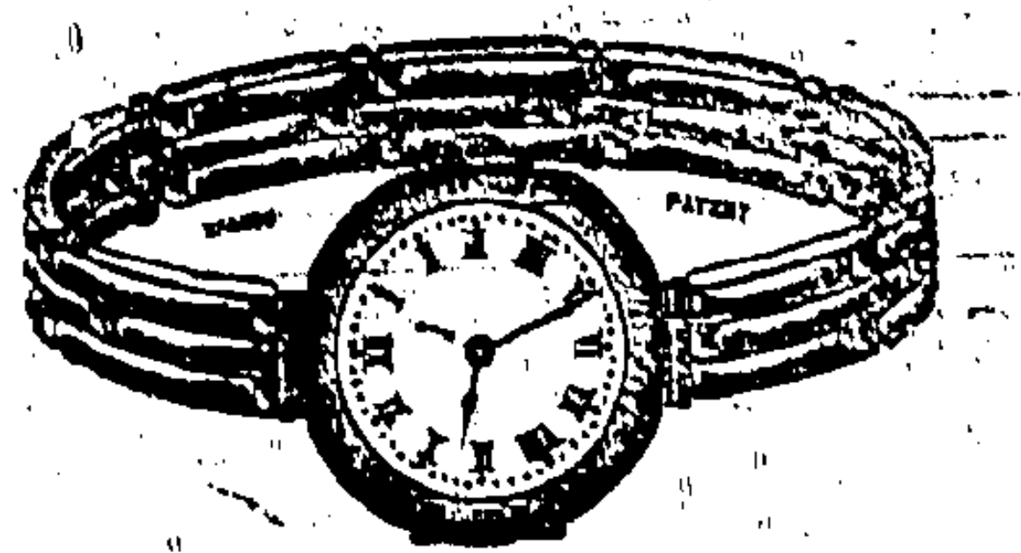

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THE HUMAN NOTE IN INDUSTRY.

Scientists Fighting for Health of Workers.

The human factor in industry is now engaging the attention of leading men of science, as formerly did material and processes of manufacture. What the intellectual investigator can do who is not concerned with [illegible] (in the old sense) has just been illustrated by Sir William Crookes. He has been engaged for some time past in the preparation of eye-preserving glass for spectacles. The subject seems prosaic enough until one learns that Sir William was moved to do so because of the liability of glass-workers to cataract, owing to the extreme heat rays to which they are exposed in their employment. The aged scientist busied himself in the preparation of an ideal glass which would screen heat rays and ultra violet rays, and be sufficiently free from colour to be capable of use as spectacles.

To this end he fitted up glass works at his own house. The ideal glass, Sir William explained recently, was still to be discovered, but he had prepared glasses which cut off 90 per cent. of heat radiation, which were opaque to the invisible ultra violet rays, and were sufficiently free from colour. The next thing was to combine these three qualities in one glass.

FIGHTING LEAD POISONING.

Again, Professor Sir Thomas Oliver, the famous physician to whom is due the respect of all workers for his efforts to eliminate the dangers to which pottery workers are peculiarly liable, has been describing a remarkable process by which lead poison can be got out of the body. It is done by an electrolytic bath apparatus.

About three weeks ago they succeeded in removing lead from the body of a workman in a lead smelting works, who had contracted lead poisoning while cleaning flues. After three or four baths the vivid blue line along the gums actually disappeared, and lead was found in the bath and on the electro. Tremendous stimulus was given to the whole nutrition of the body, the nerve energies were improved, and the man expressed himself as being much better than formerly.

Commenting on the economy of conserving human force in industry (to put the matter down on the plane where it would interest even masters largely indifferent to the human factor) Mr. J. J. Mallon, speaking to a Daily News representative, said he had in mind a certain Lancashire factory, which was forced, by prosecutions, to install smoke-consuming plant. "That one mill now saves £100 a year in fuel."

TERRIBLE WASTE OF HUMAN FORCE.

"The waste of human force in industry is terrible, and if the masters only knew it they are, when wasting it through overwork and out-of-date plant and deleterious processes, cutting profits. It is a pity the attention of scientists to the end of preventing waste of human power in factories is at present merely casual, disinterested and sporadic. There is a wide field here for the scientist. There is the question of transport in factories, for instance. Why doesn't some engineer attend to that? Why should women in Staffordshire carry a load of clay weighing one cwt., when machinery could carry it quicker and better, and without wasting any energy but steam or electricity? This is a question for most factories. It is uneconomic.

"Industry is full of such problems. There is the question of dust and consumption, of anthrax, of noxious fumes and of fatigue. It has been proved that the worker who is fatigued does less valuable work in addition to injuring his [illegible]

STRAWBERRIES FOR CHRISTMAS?

How Nature has Confused Seasons At Home.

In spite of the frequent and furious downpours which have drenched Londoners, fresh raspberries and red currants have been grown at Heston, Middlesex, and were on sale at Covent Garden Market to-day, says the Globe of November 12.

The raspberries were sold at 2s. per handle basket of about 3 lbs. and the red currants for 2s. 6d. Second crops of raspberries, strawberries, and plums have all grown and ripened in the open at Histon, Cambridge. Strawberry fields are white with blossom, thousands of strawberries have formed, and many have come to maturity and are ripening. The raspberry canes are loaded with fruit, much of which is ripe and equal in size to the fruit obtained at the best season of the year. Thousands of ripe plums are to be seen in the orchards and quantities have been gathered and sent to market. A Globe representative was informed that strawberries are expected at Covent Garden shortly. We may thus find plum pudding and strawberries at our Christmas dinner tables.

In Kent and Sussex, poppies and nasturtiums are still flowering with increasing regularity, while dahlias and chrysanthemums are actually suffering from the heat. Suburban residents tell of roses, violas, and pansies in bloom, while a couple of Red Admiral butterflies were recently seen fluttering over one of the metropolitan golf courses. In the north the gardens are filled with violets, and the primroses in the woods and fields equalled in number those which appeared in the early spring. Nature seems to have lost her memory, and all over England the feeling is that she has overstepped her mark. The heat, the showers, and the blooming of spring flowers all tend to show that we should really be in the months of spring instead of in wintry November.

Apples at 1s. 6d. each are also to be seen at Covent Garden. They are French hothouse-grown fruit, and are sold at 18s. a dozen.

PATRES CONSCRIPTI OR GROUNDLESS APPREHENSION.

(The committee of the Malacca Club has signified its desire to be entirely dissociated from the forthcoming Malacca Magazine.)

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That Mr. S——e writes sonnets on the sly.
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To Schweppes and Johnnie Walker, not the Muses.

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W. Stanley Eames, in the "Straits Times."

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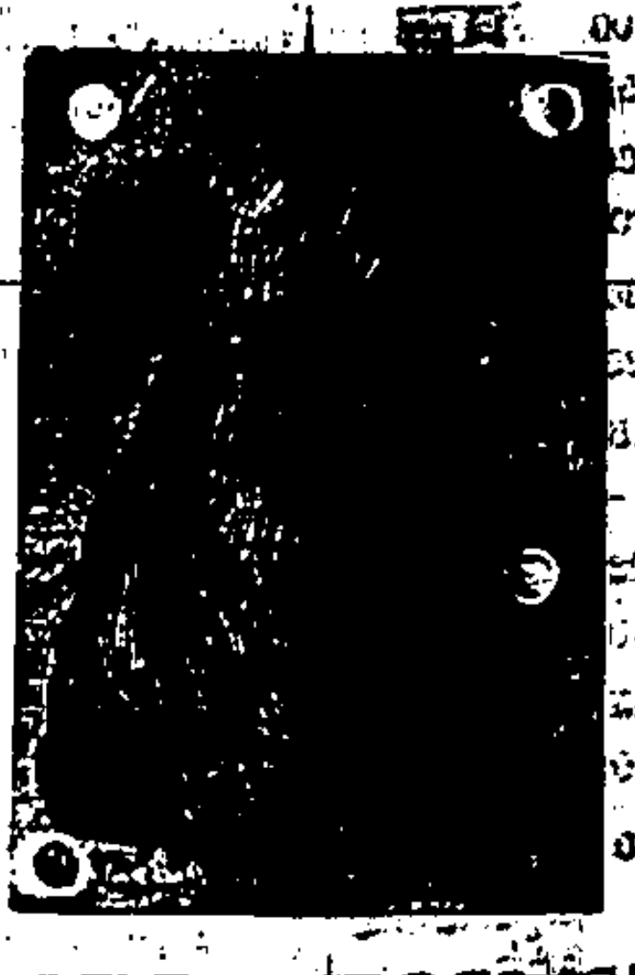

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Hongkong, May 17, 1912.

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UPSIDE-DOWN FLYING.

An Attempt at Hendon.

The young English airman, Mr. G. Lee Temple, succeeded yesterday, says the "Daily Telegraph" of Nov. 25th, in flying partially upside down at the Hendon aerodrome. The day was beautifully clear, and in calm weather he ascended between four and five thousand feet before attempting the manoeuvre. Then he dived vertically, and turned the machine beyond the vertical, though not flat in the Pégoud manner, for two or three seconds. When he tried to regain the normal position the machine did not readily respond, and he plunged some 900ft. before righting the monoplane, after which he descended to the ground.

Mr. Temple used his old Blériot, on which he flew from Paris to London, but he and his mechanics had altered it in accordance with the recommendations of M. Blériot for all aviators who attempt the "upside down and "looping the loop" flights. M. Blériot prefers, however, that the machines should be returned to the works for the modifications to be made.

Only a few people saw yesterday's performance, which constitutes the first flights of its kind by an Englishman in England.

The special Blériot monoplane with which Hucks is to give public demonstrations of upside-down flying, including "looping the loop," on Thursday and Saturday afternoon next, arrived at the Hendon aerodrome yesterday. Mr. Hucks states: "The sensations one gets during the looping and reversed flights are most extraordinary and extremely fascinating. In taking the headlong plunge previous to turning over on the back one begins to realise what a tremendous force gravity is. The machine dives at a terrifying pace, and the rush of wind is nearly sufficient to deafen one. But once upside down, the machine more or less recovers its normal speed, and the descent is quite gentle. Naturally the first two attempts rather took my breath away, but on my third trial, when I remained flying upside down for 45sec, I had a good look around and below me. There were the hangars far away below, and the pupils and mechanics employed there who had come out of their sheds to watch my flight. Before turning the monoplane back again to its normal position I tested all the controls to make sure they were working satisfactorily. They were all working in just the same way as if I had been flying right side up."

ON THE BATTLEFIELD.

Women's Work in the Balkan War.

The experiences of women doctors during the Balkan War was the subject of an address by Dr. Dorothea Tudor, M.B., B.S., at Adelphi-terrace. The service of the Women's Sick and Wounded Convoy Corps, she said, were gladly accepted by the Bulgarian military authorities. Dr. Tudor and her friends took entire control of hospitals, with surgical and medical cases, at Lozengrad, and they remained for six months at the seat of war.

Bulgaria profits by compulsory military service, and the lecturer testified to its value to individual members of the army. She wished that it prevailed in England, and extended to the women of this country. She did not wish to see women in the fighting line, but felt that they could do much service now occupying the time of men. They could do the nursing, ambulance, telegraphic, telephoning, and other departments of military work. Women have very definite employment in Bulgaria. During the war they were used in transport hospitals and also for agricultural duties. All the land was left to the care of the women when war broke out, and produce was not more scanty as a result. Under Turkish rule the safety of women was not sure after dusk. When Bulgaria took possession this was not the case. During the war women and men seemed to do equal shares of physical labour, so far as carrying loads was concerned.

Describing conditions during the war Dr. Tudor said that when fighting was at its height there were 500 patients squeezed into accommodation for 300. There were no English doctors except those in Dr. Tudor's party, and nurses were extremely scarce. In addition to human patients there were 60 cows quarantined near one hospital. Only one patient died from wounds amongst all who came under Dr. Tudor's supervision, disease claimed the others. Typhoid, diphtheria, cholera, anthrax, and a plague were all rampant, and scurvy was also rife. Speaking of her own work Dr. Tudor said: "I think we were the first women doctors to serve on the field of battle. Our actual expenses were covered by the Balkan Relief Fund. The Bulgarians acted honourably and gave us the same pay as their officers." The lecturer spoke of the unwillingness to kill unnecessarily, shown by the Bulgarians, and also their desire not to destroy needlessly. For this reason Adrianople was never a house of ruins in this war, though the poorer parts suffered.

Judgment was delivered by the [illegible] Court, on November [illegible], in the action brought against M. Camille Barrère, French Ambassador in Rome, and his chauffeur, [illegible] in connection with the [illegible] in which [illegible] was killed [illegible]

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IS BOILING A KETTLE A TRADE?

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Four Law Lords and five eminent counsel were occupied in the House of Lords the other day in an endeavour to settle whether boiling a kettle is or is not a trade. They did not succeed—at least, their lordships reserved judgment without calling upon counsel for the respondent, Lord Halsbury remarking that if they desired to hear them they would notify them to that effect.

The respondent was the occupier and licensee of the Crutched Friar Hotel, John-Street, Minories. The appellants were the Metropolitan Water Board, and the question at issue was whether the water supply was one for trade or domestic purposes, in view of the fact that a catering business is carried on at the hotel.

One or two posers were put by Lord Halsbury to Mr. Clavell Salter, K.C., who opened for the Water Board, and argued that the catering constituted a trade within the meaning of the Act.

"If an old woman had someone to tea (to be paid for), is her water supply to be declared a non-domestic one?" asked the former Lord Chancellor. "Such a contention is absurd," he declared. "My old woman carries on a trade—she has a lodger and because of that her cistern is not a domestic one! It is absurd."

Lord Dunedin followed up the kettle argument with a question to the eminent K.C. He introduced it by declaring that everybody in the House of the "idle rich" is employed in some domestic trade. "Does the boiling of tea or the boiling of eggs come within the Act?" he asked.

Mr. Salter said that if the making of tea or the boiling of eggs was the trade of the person then the water supply for that purpose was a trade and not a domestic supply.

Lord Halsbury said it came to this: Was water for drinking purposes to be declared to be for non-domestic purposes: that was what it came to.

Lord Dunedin: You cannot mention a trade in which water is not used. It may is some cases be very minute, but I cannot think of any.

Mr. Salter: Tailor's is not a water-using trade?

Lord Dunedin: Yet I suppose he occasionally uses a damp sponge.

Lord Atkinson: Or washes his shop.

Lord Dunedin: Take a greengrocer.

Lord Atkinson: Or a fishmonger.

Mr. Salter: I was going to mention fishmongers, also photographers, and florists. It only shows that this really does raise a very great and important question.

Sir Robert Finlay, K.C., also having argued that the water used by the respondent in her catering business was for trade purposes, their lordships, as stated, reserved judgment.

KARL HENTSCHEL'S REARREST.

Threats to Shoot His Wife.

The rearrest of Karl Hentschel in London on Saturday, Nov. 22nd, and his appearance in the dock at the Chatham Police-court on the following Monday, caused considerable comment in the dockyard town.

Prisoner was recently charged at the Westminster Police-court with an alleged offence under the Official Secrets Act, and was discharged. His reapprehension was in pursuance of a warrant issued by Mr. A. J. Tassell, the stipendiary magistrate for Chatham, on the application of Mrs. Patricia Hentschel, the prisoner's wife, who charged him with having threatened to shoot her on Oct. 21, from which and other threats she was afraid he would do her some bodily injury. He was remanded for a week, bail being refused.

Accused, whose full names are Karl Paul Gustard Hentschel, is described as a professor of languages. Husband and wife are living apart, and Mrs. Hentschel is engaged at Weybridge, but gave her address as No. 82, Pagett-street, Chatham, where her mother and sisters reside.

Mr. T. D. Dutton, who appeared for the prisoner in the espionage case, again represented him; and Mr. L. A. Goldie was solicitor for Mrs. Hentschel.

The only witness examined was the complainant, Patricia Hentschel. She stated that on Oct. 24 she came to Chatham to see her husband to make terms with him. She refused to live with him again. He called in two medical men, alleging that she was out of her mind, but they pronounced her perfectly sane.

After their departure from her mother's house accused became very violent, and threatened to shoot her. She ran away terror stricken, and concealed herself. Accused did not produce any weapon when he used the threat. She had received three telegrams.

The magistrate said it must be proved that accused sent them. He would be remanded.—London "Daily Telegraph."

Major-General F. H. Kelly, C.B., Commanding the British troops in South China, has accepted the invitation of the Municipal Council to inspect the Shanghai Volunteer Corps during the week ending April 25th. The inspection is scheduled for April 25th.

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Heart,—Yeung Sum	eac	7
" Kidneys,—Yeung Yiu	"	9
" Liver,—Yeung Con	lb	25
Sucking Pigs, To order—Chu [illegible]	"	22
Suet, Beef—Sang Ngau Yau	"	18
" Mutton,—Sang Yeung Yau	"	25
Veal,—Ngau Chai Y.	"	18
" Sausage,—Ngau Chai Chaung	"	—

Poultry 生口

		cts.
Chicken,—Kai Chai		28
Capons, Large, Small,—Sin Kai		30
Ducks,—Ap		20
Doves,—Pan Kau	"	17
Eggs, Hen—Kai Tan	per doz.	20
Fowls, Canton,—Kai	lb	32
" Hainan,—Hoi Nam	"	28
Geese,—Ngoi Kai		26
Geese, Wild S'hai,—Shang-hoi Yea Ngoi	pair	75
Musk Deer,—Wong Keng	each	$4.00
Hare, Shanghai,—Tu Chai		55
Partridge,—Che Khoo		60
Pheasant,—Shan Kai	pair	$1.30
Pigeons, Canton,—Pak Kup	each	30
" Hoihow,—Hoi How Pak Kup	"	25
Quail,—Um-Chun		15
Rice Birds,—Wo Fa Cheuk	dozen	—
Snipe,—Sa-Chuy	each	22
Turkeys Cock—Phor Kai Kung	lb.	60
" Hen.		45
Wild Ducks, S'hai,—Shang-hoi Sui Ap		$1.20
Teal,—Sui Ap Chai,		50
Wild Ducks Canton—Sang-Shing Sui Ap		75

Fish 海鮮

		cts.
Barbel,—Ka Yu		
Bream,—Bin Yu		18
Canton Fresh Water Fish,—Hoi Sin Yu	"	15
Carp,—Li Yu	"	22
Catfish,—Chik Yu		20
Codfish,—Mun Yu		19
Crabs—H[illegible]		[illegible]
Cuttle Fish,—Muk Yu		16
Dab,—Sa Mang Yu		17
Dace,—Wong Mei Lun		12
Dog Fish—Tit Tu Sa		8
Eels, Conger,—Hoi Mann		17
" Fresh water,—Tam Shui Y.		15
" Yellow,—Wong Sin		24
Frogs,—Tien Kai		32
Garoupa,—Sek Pan		60
Gudgeon,—Pak Kup Yu		12
Herrings,—Tso Pak		16
Halibut,—Cheung Kwan Kup		32
Labrax,—Wong Fa Yu		[illegible]
Loach,—Wu Ip		28
Lobsters,—Lung Ha		30
Mackerel,—Chi Yu		20
Monk Fish,—Mong Yu		[illegible]
Mullet,—Chai Yu		[illegible]
[illegible]		[illegible]
Salmon,—Ma Yau Yu		32
Shark,—Sa Yu		9
Skate,—Po Yu		[illegible]
Shrimps,—Ha		[illegible]
Snapper,—Lap Yu		30
Soles,—Tat Sa Yu		30
Tench—Wan Yu		20
Turbot,—Cho How Yu		23
Turtles, small, fresh water,—Kak Yu		60
White Bait,—Ngan Yu Chai		—

Fruits 菓子

		cts.
Almonds,—Hung Yan	lb	30
Apples (California)—Kam San Ping Kh.	"	18
" (Chefoo)—Tin Chun Ping Kho		—
" Small,—Hoi Tong	"	—
" Custard,—Fan Lai Chi	each	—
Bananas, fragrant, Canton,—Tai Shing Heung Chiu		3
Bananas, (brides), Macao,—San Heung Chiu		[illegible]
Chestnuts, Chinese,—Fung Lut	"	12
Carambola,—Young Tuo		—
Cocoanuts,—Yeh Tsz	each	12
Lemons, China,—Ning Moong	lbs.	6
" America,—Kum San Ning Moong		8
Lichees Dried,—Lai Chi, small Stone	lb	30
" Fresh—		—
Limes, (Saigon)—Sai Kung Ning Moong	each	—
Mango, Manila,—Lui Sung Mong	"	—
Mangosteens,—San Chuk Tsz	ics	—
Oranges, (Canton)—San-shing Tim Ching	lb	5
Oranges Sweet		6
Pears, (American),—Kam San Shoot I	"	—
" (Canton), Cooking,—Sa Lay		14
Peanuts,—Fa Sang	"	10
Persimmons Large,—Hung Chie	"	—
Pine-apples, 1st quality,—Poon Ti Paw Lo	each	10
" 2nd " —Chung-tang Paw Law	"	8
Plantain,—Tai Chen	lb	—
Plums,—Swatow, Hung Lai	"	—
Pumelo, Siam,—Chim Lo Yau	each	13
" Shanghai,—Lo Kwat	"	—
Walnuts,—Hop Tuo	lb	15
" Green,—Sang Hop Tuo	"	—
Water Melon,—Kom San Sai Kwa	each	—
" (China) Sai Kwa		20
Grapes,—Sang Po Tai Tse		[illegible]

Vegetables &c. 菜蔬

		cts.
Artichokes, Shanghai,—Sheung-hoi A. Chi-Cheuk	lb	8
Beans, (French), Macao,—Oh Moon Pin Tau	"	12
" (French), Shanghai,—Sheung Hoi Pin Tau	"	12
" Sprouts,—Ah Cho	"	5
" Long,—Tau Ko	"	[illegible]
Beet Root,—Hung Choi Tau	each	8
Brinjals, Green,—Ching Yuar		6
" Red,—Hung Kar		[illegible]
Cabbage, Chinese, com,—Kai Choy		[illegible]
Cabbage, Red,—Hung Yea Choy		[illegible]
Cabbage, Shanghai,—Yeh Choi		[illegible]
Cane Shoots, bunch,—Kan Shun		[illegible]
Cauliflower, Large size—Tai Yeh Cho Fa	each	[illegible]
" Medium size,—Cheung Yeh Choi Fa		[illegible]
" Small size,—Sai Yeh Choi Fa		[illegible]
Carrots,—Hung Loh Shun		[illegible]
Celery, Chinese,—Yung Kan Choi		[illegible]
[illegible]—Yeung		[illegible]
Chillies, Dried,—Gon Lat Chiu		[illegible]
" Red,—Hung Fat		[illegible]
" Green,—Ching La Chiu		[illegible]
Curry Stuff, English—Kar Lee Ohe		[illegible]
Cucumbers,—Ching Kwa		[illegible]
Bitter Squash,—Fu Kwa		[illegible]
Garlic,—Qua Tau		[illegible]
Ginger, young,—Sun Leo Keung		[illegible]
" old,—Lo Keung		[illegible]
Horse Radish, S'hai,—Lik Ki		[illegible]
Indian Corn,—Suk Mai		[illegible]
Lettuce,—Yeung Sang Choi		[illegible]
Water Chestnuts,—Ma Tai		[illegible]
" Mandarin,—Kwai Lum Ma Tai		[illegible]
Mushrooms, Fresh,—Sang Cho Koo		[illegible]
Musk Melon, Amer,—Kam-san Heong Kwa		[illegible]
Okras,—[illegible]		[illegible]
Onions, Bombay,—Yeung Cheng Tau		[illegible]
" Green,—[illegible] Chong		[illegible]
" Shanghai,—Sheung hoi Cheng Tau		[illegible]
Papaw, 1st qual,—Tai Muk Kwa		[illegible]
" 2nd "		[illegible]
Parsley,—Kun Chu		[illegible]
Green Peas,—Ching Tau		[illegible]
Potatoes, Sweet,—Fan Shu		[illegible]
" Shanghai,—Sheung hoi [illegible]		[illegible]
" Japan,—Yat Poon Shu		[illegible]
" American,—Fa Ki		[illegible]
" Foochow—[illegible]		[illegible]
Pumpkin,—Nam Kwa		[illegible]
Radish,—Hung Lo Pak		[illegible]
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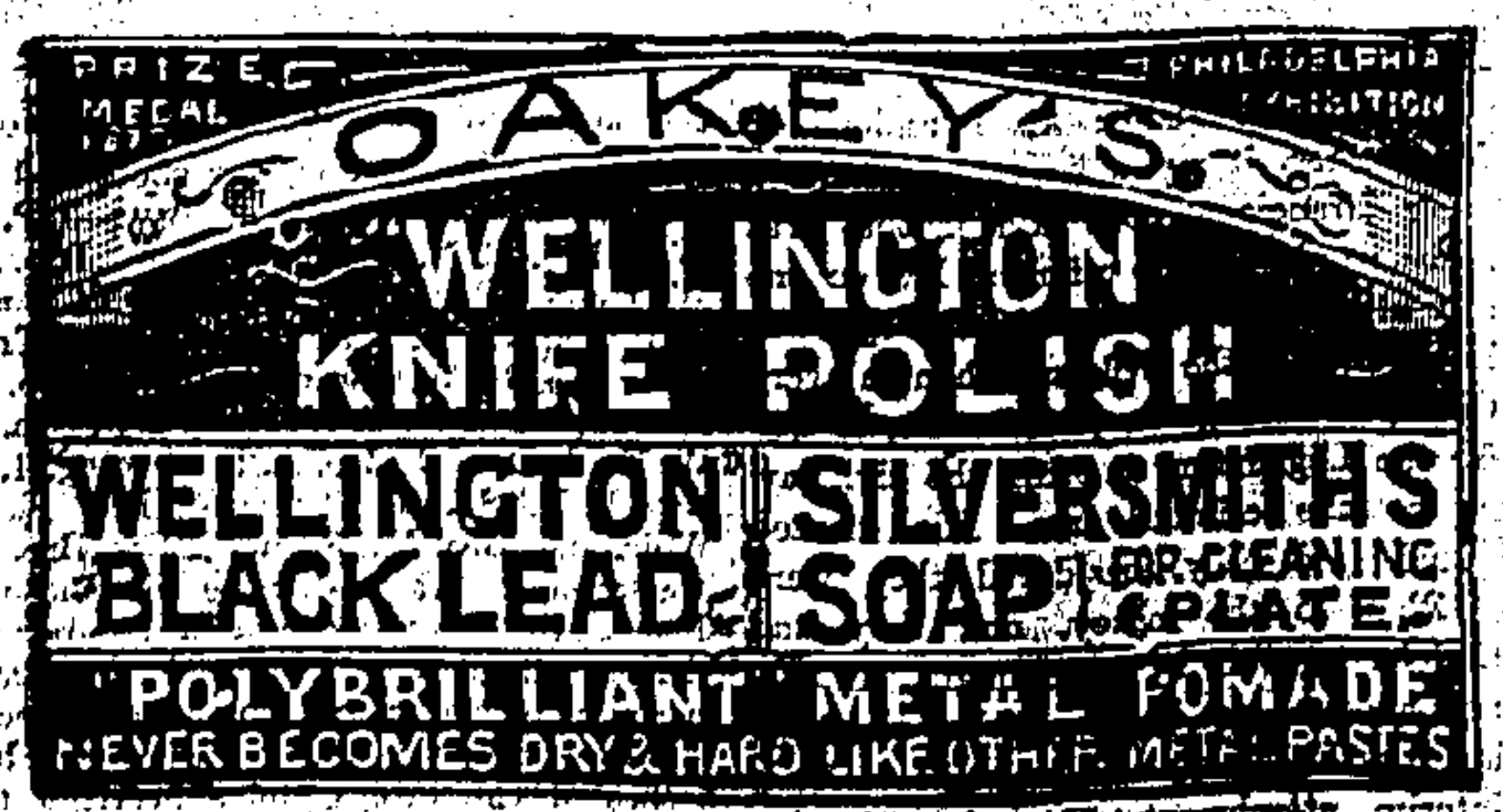
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SUMMARY OF HOME NEWS.

(From the London "Daily Telegraph" of Dec. 5th, received via Siberia.)

POLITICAL.

In the course of his speech on Home Rule at Bradford, Sir E. Grey said: "If peace is to be preserved, there must be goodwill on both sides. What we can do on our side we shall do to contribute to a peaceable settlement of the Irish question. But there are limits beyond which we cannot go. (Cheer.) As the Prime Minister said, we are bound to see the thing through. Let there be no mistake about this. We are bound to see it through, but we and all those who are interested in seeing the passing of Home Rule would infinitely prefer to see it settled by consent, and peaceably."

Speaking at the annual banquet of the Redhill Agricultural Society, Earl Lucas, Parliamentary Secretary to the Board of Agriculture, declared that the Government intended to deal with questions affecting the land from the practical point of view. No good landlord and no good farmer had anything to fear from the Government's proposals.

THE BRITISH EMPIRE.

Giving judgment as to who should have the control of the winding-up proceedings of the Indian Specie Bank, Mr. Justice Davar said it was undesirable in the highest degree that the directors should have any hand in the management, as there were grave charges against them. Referring to the abandonment of the first petition, his Lordship declared that it was a grave reflection on the commercial morality of the directors, creditors, and shareholders, that no one insisted upon an inquiry.

FOREIGN.

By 293 votes to 54 a motion censuring the German Chancellor in connection with the Zabern affair was carried in the Reichstag. The two day's debate was throughout of a stormy character. It is generally assumed that the Government will now do something to placate public opinion.

Semi-official newspapers in Peking announce that the Standard Oil Company is endeavouring to obtain an oil concession round Jehol, in Northern China, where borings are said to have disclosed rich petroleum deposits. If the scheme matures this company will be the pioneers of the industry in China. Oil has been proved in many places.

AT HOME.

Earl Curzon made an earnest appeal on behalf of the Committee for the Survey of the Memorials of Greater London, which, he said, were disappearing with a truly alarming rapidity. It was terrible to think of what had been lost. Sometimes the destruction had been the result of the ignorant or heedless vandalism of public bodies.

Representatives of the British Medical Association considered various questions at a special meeting held in the Connaught Rooms. By 181 votes to 42 it was decided to raise the annual subscription from 25s. for doctors resident in the British Islands to £2 2s. This course, it was stated, had been rendered necessary owing to increased expenditure, which last year amounted to £81,800 while the income was £66,000.

When Dr. John Kaye, who was Bishop of Bristol from 1820 to 1827, was a curate, he bought, for 4s. 6d., five quarto plays by Jonson. Yesterday these five plays, offered in separate lots, realised no less a sum than £1,130—"Every Man Out of his Humour," £315; "Every Man in his Humour," £200; "The Fountaine of Selfe-Love," £225; "The Poetaster," £275; and "Satiro-Mastix," £115.

Mr. Percy R. Crompton, paper manufacturer, left estate valued at £117,607. Deceased had signed a will, but the Court held that he died intestate, as, before witnesses were able to append their signatures, he became unconscious, and never regained consciousness. Letters of administration have been granted to his two brothers, who will have to find surety in the sum of £235,000 for the due administration of the property.

LAW AND POLICE.

By a simple manœuvre, the police outwitted Flora Drummond and her band of Suffragettes who had assembled at Plymouth to greet Mrs. Pankhurst and prevent her arrest. She was apprehended on board the Majestic outside the harbour, transferred to the tug Sir Richard Grenville, and landed at Bull Point, which is used exclusively by Government vessels. Thence she was conveyed by motor-car to Exeter, and, it is stated, lodged in gaol.

SPORT.

Moderate fields were seen out on the concluding day at Lingfield Park, where the winners were Achsinus, Grey Coronet, Bridge IV., Limassol, Finnigan, and Ewell Lass.

THE CITY.

Business in the stock markets was quiet. Consols [illegible] for money and [illegible] for the account. [illegible] home railways were mostly lower, although closing above the worst. Brighton "A" advanced. Foreign Government bonds showed little general movement. Americans were firm, especially in the late street dealings, while some foreign railways drooped. Nitrates were firm, and other industrials irregular. South African gold and diamond mines improved, as also copper shares. Silver advanced to 26 11/16 per ounce spot and 26 13/16 forward. Money was in fair demand at 4¼ to 4½ per cent., and discount hardened to 4¼ per cent. for three months' bills. The Bank purchased £163,000 bar gold.

HEALTH OF THE BRITISH NAVY.

Continuous Improvement.

The statistical report of the health of the British navy for 1912, issued by the Admiralty as a Blue Book, shows a continuous improvement in the general health of the fleet as compared with the preceding five years.

The total force, corrected for time, last year was 119,540, and the total number of cases of disease and injury entered on the sick list was 76,815, or 642.58 per 1,000, a decrease of 24.1 as compared with the average ratio for the preceding quinquennium. The number of entries per man for disease and injury were:—Home station, .78; Home Fleet, .55; Mediterranean, .5; North America and West Indies and Training Squadron, .69; China, .72; East Indies, .94; Australia, .7; Cape of Good Hope, .71; and irregular list, .71. From the total force the average was .64, as compared with .65 in 1911. The ratio per 1,000 men on sick pay on the various stations was: Home station, 33.75; Home Fleet, 21.04; Mediterranean, 19.23; North America, etc., 22.80; China, 24.95; East Indies, 83.51; Australia, 28.5; Cape, 22.01; and the irregular list 35.8.

The number of men finally invalided, i.e., representing the waste of the service, was 2,023, of whom 98 were invalided after refusing operative treatment. Of the 2,216 invalidings 2,084 were for disease and 132 for injury. Invalidings have decreased (compared with the average ratio in the preceding five years) in amongst others the China Station. The total number of deaths was 395, or 3.3 per 1,000, a slight increase. Of the total, 244 died from disease and 151 from injury.

In comparison with the death ratios of the preceding quinquennium the ratio per 1,000 has decreased in amongst others the China Station. Three cases of small-pox, with one death, were reported from that Station. One death out of 57 cases occurred from dysentery, the China Station contributing 33 cases. Three hundred and six men were treated for malaria, and there was one death. Veneral diseases were responsible for four deaths and 141 final invalidings, the cases totalling 12,367, a decrease of 13.88 per 1,000 in the case ratio, compared with the average for the previous five years. The China Station showed the highest and the Mediterranean the lowest case ratio. It may be noted in conclusion that the China Station last year comprised 29 ships, and included in the mean force 6,330; whilst the sick list cases numbered 4,612—a decrease.

PEARL NECKLACE THEFT.

Verdicts of Guilty.

Juryman Threatened.

Verdicts of guilty were returned at the Old Bailey on Nov. 24th, against the four men charged in connection with the theft of the pearl necklace, valued at £135,000, belonging to Mr. Max Mayer, of Hatton-garden.

The jury found that the prisoners were concerned in stealing and receiving the necklace while it was in the custody of the Postmaster-General.

Mr. Justice Lawrence sentenced Lockett and Grizzard to seven years' penal servitude, Silverman to five years' penal servitude, and Gutwirth to eighteen months' imprisonment with hard labour. Silverman and Gutwirth were also recommended for deportation.

A letter had been received by a juryman containing a threat, and the judge stated that anyone who took steps in pursuance of that threat would meet with condign punishment.

It is reported that Jack Johnson—if he fails to secure the annulment of the French decision depriving him of the pugilistic championship—will organise a series of fistic bouts at Marseilles to decide the championship. He will pay all expenses and make no charge for admission to the show.

The Man Who Gets There

Is the man who has blood—real, rich red blood, and plenty of it in his body [illegible]

His Britannic Majesty's Ships on the China Station.

Name.	Class.	Tons.	Guns.	I.H.P.	Commander.	Last report at.
Alacrity	despatch-vessel	1650	2	3000	Comdr. Archibald Cochrane	Hongkong
Atlas	Admiralty tug	—	—	—	——	Hongkong
Bramble	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Comdr. B. S. Prichard	Shanghai
Britomart	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Darwall	Shanghai
Cadmus	sloop	1070	6	1400	Commr. H. P. E. T. Williams	Shanghai
Chelmer	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7300	Lieut. H. T. England	Hongkong
Cherub	water tank and tug	390	—	300	——	Hongkong
Clio	sloop	1070	6	1400	Comdr. Colin Mackenzie, D.S.O.	Shanghai
Colne	torpedo boat destroyer	550	4	7500	Lieut. M. B. Blake	Hongkong
Fame	torpedo boat destroyer	360	6	5700	Lieut. C. M. Blackman	Hongkong
Hampshire	cruiser, 1st class	10,850	10	20,500	Capt. M. R. Hill	Hongkong
Jed	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut. G. F. A. Mulock	Hongkong
Kennet	torpedo boat destroyer	560	4	7500	Lieut. E. K. Boddam-Whetham	Hongkong
Kinsha	river gunboat	616	4	1200	Lt.-Comdr. H. D. Marryat	Yangtsze
Merlin	sloop	1040	—	—	Capt. F. C. C. Pasco	Hongkong
Minotaur *	cruiser, 1st class	14,600	—	27,000	Capt. E. B. Kiddle	Hongkong
Moorhen	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Com. Alan Dixon	West River
Newcastle	cruiser, 2nd class	4800	12	22,000	Capt. Frederick A. Powlett	Hongkong
Nightingale	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lieut.-Com. Malcolm Murray	Yangtsze River
Ribble	torpedo boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lieut. R. W. Williamson	Hongkong
Rosario	depot ship, submarines	980	—	1400	Comdr. N. E. Archdale	Hongkong
Robin	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Nash	West River
Sandpiper	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Com. L. A. S. Hutton	West River
Snipe	river gunboat	85	2	240	Lt.-Comdr. Maurice B. Leslie	Yangtsze River
Tamar	receiving ship	4650	—	—	Commodore R. H. Anstruther, C.M.G.	Hongkong
Teal	river gunboat	180	2	800	Lt.-Comdr. Hon. G. Stopford	Upper Yangtsze River
Thistle	river gunboat	710	2	900	Lt.-Com. H. R. N. Cottrell-Dormer	Hongkong
Triumph	battleship	11,985	18	12,500	Capt. P. Streatfeild, M.V.O.	Hongkong
Usk	torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Lt.-Comdr. Maxwell	Hongkong
Welland	torpedo-boat destroyer	590	—	7500	Comdr. Seymour	Hongkong
Widgeon	river gunboat	195	2	900	Lt.-Com. J. C. F. Borrett	Upper Yangtsze River
Woodcock	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Com. M. Blackwood	Yangtsze River
Woodlark	river gunboat	150	2	500	Lt.-Comdr. Lloyd	Yangtsze River
Yarmouth	light cruiser	5250	—	22,000	Capt. H. L. Cochrane	Shanghai
C.36	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. F. J. McGillewie	Hongkong
C.37	submarine	—	—	—	Lt.-Comdr. J. Gaimes	Hongkong
C.38	submarine	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. R. K. C. Pope	Hongkong
.035	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Handley	Hongkong
.036	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Stileman	West River
.037	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. Nicol	West River
.058	torpedo boat	—	—	—	Lt. Comdr. H. W. Seymour	Hongkong

* Flagship of Vice-Admiral T. H. M. Jerram, C.B., Commander-in-Chief.

Foreign Men-of-war on the China and Japan Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report at
Kaiserin Elizabeth	Austro-Hungarian cruiser	4000	—	—	Capt. Makovitz	Foochow
Dupleix †	French armoured cruiser	10,014	30	20,000	Capt. Davelny	Hongkong
Kleber	French armoured cruiser	9730	13	19,600	Capt. Gouts	Saigon
Montcalm	French flagship	9600	—	—	Capt. de Vaisseau	Saigon
Decidée	French gunboat	645	10	1300	Lieut. Vandier	Saigon
Argus	French river gunboat	180	6	670	Lieut. Dordet	Canton
Vigilante	French gunboat	123	7	500	Lieut. de Jervillier	Canton
Peiho	French gunboat	130	—	—	Lieut. Collin	Tongku
Doudard de Lagree	French gunboat	—	—	—	Lieut. Dupuy Dutemps	Tchong-Kin

† Flagship of Rear-Admiral Colloch de Kerillis, Commander-in-Chief, the French China Station.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report at
Lynx	French sub-marine	—	—	—	Lieut. Boluix	Saigon
Protee	French sub-marine	—	—	—	——	Saigon
* Styx	French armoured gunboat	1796	10	1200	Lieut. Guillaume-Louis	Saigon
Fronde	French destroyer	350	7	303	Lieut. Aurillac	Saigon
d'Iberville	French destroyer	—	—	—	Capt. de Frigate Rouiser	Saigon
Pistolet	French destroyer	180	7	300	Comdr. de Marquessar	Saigon
Mousquet	French destroyer	307	6	300	——	Saigon
Manche	French surveying-ship	1625	10	9000	Comdr. Voisin	Saigon

* Flagship of Capt. (Commodore Boucicaut, Commanding the local defence Indo China.

Name.	Flag and description.	Tons	Guns.	H.P.	Captains.	Last report at
Emden	German cruiser	3600	22	13,500	Capt. v. Restorff	Swatow
Gneisenau	German armoured cruiser	11,600	36	26,000	Captain Bruninghaus	Tsingtau
Iltis	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. v. Gohren	Shanghai
Jaguar	German gunboat	900	12	1300	Comdr. Vanselow	Tsingtau
Leipzig	German cruiser	3250	24	11,000	Capt. Behncke	Tsingtau
Luchs	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Hendemann	Tsingtau
Nürnberg	German cruiser	3400	22	13,200	Capt. Mörsberger	Tsingtau
Otter	German river gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Lieut. Firle	Yangtsze River
Scharnhorst	German flagship	11,600	36	26,000	Capt. von Schultz	Hongkong
S. 90	German torpedo-boat	400	8	6500	Capt. Lieut. Brunnenberg	Tsingtau
Taku	German torpedo-boat	280	6	6000	Oblt. z. S. Classen	Tsingtau
Tiger	German gunboat	900	10	1350	Comdr. Röcker	Tsingtau
Tsingtau	German river gunboat	223	4	1300	Capt. von Möller	Canton
Vaterland	German river gunboat	223	4	500	Oblt. z. S. Prinz	Shanghai
Calabria	Italian cruiser	2145	—	—	Comdr. Sommi Piccardi	Shanghai
Adamastor	Portuguese cruiser	1757	—	—	Capt. Anibal de S. Dias	Macao
Macao	Portuguese gunboat	—	—	—	Capt. Martins	Macao
Patria	Portuguese gunboat	700	—	—	Captain José de Carvalho Crato	Macao

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A 4	"				Lieut. E. D. McWhorter	Cavite
A 6	"				Ensign J. C. Van de Carr	Cavite
A 7	"				Ensign C. M. Yates	Cavite
Albany	U. S. protected cruiser	3430	10	7500	Com. M. L. Bristol	Cruising
Bainbridge	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Ensign H. A. Jones	Cavite
Barry	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. R. Hill	Cavite
Callao	U. S. gunboat	243	6	350	Ensign W. L. Hallberg	[illegible]
Chauncey	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. F. J. Fletcher	Cavite
Cincinnati	U. S. protected cruiser	3183	11	10,000	Comdr. S. S. Robison	Cruising
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Decatur	U.S. torpedo-boat destroyer	420	7	8000	Lieut. P. H. Green	Cavite
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Helena	U. S. gunboat	1392	6	1988	Comdr. G. R. Marvell	Shanghai
[illegible]	U. S. station ship	1900	6	1100	Lieut. H. V. Lowe	Cavite
Monadnock	U. S. monitor	[illegible]	6	3000	Lt. E. P. [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	U. S. gunboat	[illegible]	4	[illegible]	Commander J. V. [illegible]	[illegible]
[illegible]	U. S. gunboat	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	Lieut. [illegible]	[illegible]
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MEMO. FOR TO-DAY.

8 p.m.—Children's pantomime at Quarry Bay.

MEMO. FOR TO-MORROW.

Christmas Day:—Public Holiday.
H. E. Sir Henry May, K.C.M.G., Governor of Hongkong, due to return to the Colony.
Hongkong Cricket Club v. United Services on H.K.C.C. ground.

General Memoranda.

FRIDAY, December 26:—
Boxing Day:—Public Holiday.
Chinese Y.M.C.A. Sports.
MONDAY, December 29:—
Inauguration of H.K. Corps of Sea Scouts at St. Joseph's College.
3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.
TUESDAY, December 30:—
2.30 p.m.—Auction of Furniture at "The Cottage." No. 126 Barker Road.
WEDNESDAY, December 31:—
9 p.m.—Dock Ball.
FRIDAY, January 2:—
8.45 p.m.—Taikoo Club Ball.
MONDAY, January 5:—
Peak School Re-opens.
TUESDAY, January 6:—
Noon Geo. Fenwick & Co., Ltd., General Meeting.
FRIDAY, January 9:—
Hongkong Volunteers go into Camp.
FRIDAY, January 16:—
9 p.m.—Engineers' Ball at City Hall.
SATURDAY, January 17:—
Entries close for Hongkong Races.
MONDAY, January 26:—
Chinese New Year Day.

The China Mail

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, Dec. 24, 1913.

NOTE.

To-morrow being Christmas Day and a general holiday, there will be no issue of the "China Mail." We take this opportunity of wishing our readers the compliments of the season.

CANTON'S CURRENCY.

IT appears from recent reports that the currency notes of Canton are in a more precarious way than ever. Last week their value fell some five cents per dollar in a single day. On the morning of the day in question they were reckoned at about sixty-nine cents, but before the day closed they had fallen to sixty-four. It is obvious that under such conditions, business must be in a very unenviable state. Recently, orders came from Peking, in which the local officials were instructed to ascertain what notes are in circulation, the date of their issue, and the several kinds which are now on the market. The object of this inquiry seems to be that it is the intention of Peking authorities to call in the old notes and replace them by a new issue to be sent direct from the capital, and guaranteed by the President and the Government, which now seems pretty securely fixed. This order has been obeyed and the number of issues ascertained, as well as the quantity of each print. Meanwhile native merchants, in view of this change, are refusing to take the old notes, and are demanding silver for payment. This attitude has called forth official animadversion, and orders have been published in which merchants are commanded to take the old notes, the assurance being that they will be equal in value to the new ones which are to be placed in circulation. What result will follow this command is very doubtful. It would seem that the merchants fear that in the change from one to the other, the old notes will somehow be discarded, and if they are held in large numbers their owners will probably lose by the transaction. Of course, the value of the new issue will depend upon the stability of the new Government. Notes are notes, and never can be silver: if, however, the new order of things is stable enough to hold on its way, sooner or later it will be able to command silver enough to redeem the notes to which its seal is affixed. This is, of course, the hope for the immediate future. It appears that that the officials are at their wits end to find a way out of the present tangle, for each is petitioning the other, advising the other, while all are in communication with the capital, the burden of the appeal being that some method should be devised by means of which the pressure may be eased and confidence restored. How far the new issue will affect the situation remains to be seen, and those who are intimately interested in the business and finance of the province are obviously anxious to find a solution of the difficulty which at present affects other parts of China very seriously.

NEWS OF THE DAY.

The King Edward Hotel are providing a special Christmas tiffin and dinner to-morrow between the hours 1 to 2 p.m. and 7.30 to 9 p.m., respectively.

The Court Cards and their Joker are expected here early next month from the North and will open a short season on January 8 or 9. They are at present touring Japan, and will play at the Shanghai Club for one night on their way down.

A safety razor blade for cutting pockets formed part of the outfit of a snatcher arrested by the Wanchai police and sentenced to six months' imprisonment and four hours stocks to-day for snatching a pair of bangles from a two years old child. A second pair of bangles was found in his possession.

A new English daily paper called "The Malay Tribune," will be published at Singapore on the 1st January under the editorship of a gentleman who has been connected with journalism in the Far East. It will be an afternoon paper and it will be devoted entirely to the interests of the various sections of the Asiatic community in the Malayan Peninsula.

A Chinese who was charged at the Police Court this morning with snatching a gold hair pin from a young woman in Gough Street pleaded that he was a respectable man and had a partnership in a market stall. The owner of the stall who was called by prisoner to substantiate this statement failed to do so, and Mr. Wood remanded prisoner for inquiries to be made about him. The police evidence against him is that he was caught red-handed by a lukong.

The newly formed Hongkong Branch of the National Union of Journalists, which claims the distinction of being the first branch to be established overseas, held its first annual meeting last evening, there being a representative attendance. Mr. F. Hicks of the "Hongkong Telegraph," was elected the first chairman, and Mr. P. Inglis, of the same journal, was chosen as vice-chairman. The duties of honorary treasurer are being undertaken by Mr. Reynolds, of the "Daily Press," and Mr. W. S. Batcock ("China Mail") was appointed hon. secretary. The first general Committee is composed of Messrs. A. F. Briggs ("S. C. Morning Post,") J. Tevnan ("H.K. Telegraph,"), the chairman, hon. secretary and hon. treasurer.

The five men charged with being concerned in the manufacture of spurious Chinese banknotes on Lan Tau island were brought before Mr. Wood at the Magistracy this morning. Inspector Gordon applied for a further remand, but this was opposed by Mr. Davidson, who is representing certain of the prisoners. He objected that no evidence had yet been offered by the police, though the prisoners had been three times before the court, and it would be a great hardship for them to have remained in prison nearly a month if it transpired that there was no evidence against them. Mr. F. X. D'Almada e Castro, who appeared for others of the prisoners offered no objection to the application. A formal remand for a further week was ordered. In the raid which resulted in the prisoners' arrest complete bank note printing and coining plants were seized by the police.

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NEWS OF THE DAY.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

There are said to be twenty-two unemployed Europeans at the present moment in Penang and environs.

Madame Nordica, the famous prima donna, is announced to give concerts at Singapore on January 19 and 21.

The Shaukiwan police sent to hospital yesterday a Chinese lad who injured his face by carelessly jumping from a moving tramcar yesterday.

In our yesterday's issue we stated that an additional train would leave Kowloon for Fanling during the holidays at 9 a.m. This should read 8.35 a.m.

The cargo of raw silk shipped on board the s.s. "Ernest Simons" which left Hongkong on November 18, was delivered at Lyons on the 20th inst.

Jewellery and other property worth in all about $35 has been lost by a Chinese shopkeeper in New Street who carelessly left his house door open last night.

On page 5 will be found an interesting summary of home news, taken from the London "Daily Telegraph" of December 5th, received by the last Siberian Mail.

Miss Belle Sanchez, a Filipino soprano, and several Portuguese vocalists will sing at the midnight mass to be held in the Rosary Church, Kowloon, to-night.

The Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Milk Co. have again secured the contract for the supply of milk to all medical institutions throughout the F.M.S. for the coming year.

The Holt line steamer Theseus, with 800 pilgrims on board, was aground, on the 5th inst., with a lost propeller, twenty-five miles north of Jebel-Teir, in the Red Sea.

At a special meeting of the Penang Chamber of Commerce complaint was made of the excessive quantity of small currency in circulation. Firms' collectors, it was stated, daily brought in $200 in 5 and 10 cent pieces. The matter was referred to the committee.

One effect of the recent uneasiness in regard to the Chinese banks in Singapore is that many Chinese merchants have, to a great extent, transferred their business from those locally registered houses to the European banks, where they feel more secure about their finances.

Quite a little flutter of excitement together with a lot of suppressed merriment pervaded the dining room of one of Hongkong's leading hotels at tiffin time to-day when a young American benedict was seen wheeling a baby in a perambulator from one end of the room to his table at the other end. He was followed by his spouse a few minutes later, and the very obvious fact that the young couple were much more interested in their bantling than in their tiffin or their surroundings afforded additional amusement to the large number of diners present.

The celebrated junk Ningpo—well-known in Shanghai waters, says the Shanghai Mercury,—seems doomed to an ignominious end. Last year her attempts to cross the Pacific under several different crews drew public attention to the old junk which had been secured by Mr. W. Milne, an American, for exhibition purpose at San Francisco. After two efforts, both of which had sequels in the local courts, the junk was manned by natives and succeeded in marking the trip across the ocean. But on 20th ult. she went down in Los Angeles harbour! And opinion on the other side is that she can not be refloated. The owner, however, is determined to make a trial as he intends to take her through the Panana Canal to New York.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Consul-General Knipping arrived to-day in the "Haitan."

Captain R. E. Barton, R.G.A., from Adjutant, School of Gunnery, Shoeburyness, has been posted to the R.G.A., Hongkong.

The Bishop of Honan, the Right Rev. W. Banister, D.D., was to give an address, and conduct the interdenominational prayer meeting, on Monday, Dec. 8th at the Y.M.C.A. Singapore.

Mr. Vaughan Smith, advance agent of the Court Cards, who arrived here a day or two ago from the North, is suffering from a severe attack of fever. His many friends in the Colony wish him a speedy recovery.

On Monday, at Kuala Lumpur, an application was made by Mr. H. N. Ferrers to Mr. Justice Edmonds for the admission to the local bar of Mr. Basil Joaquim, barrister-at-law. In granting the application, says the Malay Mail of the 15th inst., the judge referred to the fact that Mr. Joaquim's father had been one of the first men called to the bar to practise in Selangor, and expressed the hope that [illegible]

THE SUPREME COURT.

THE "OUTLOOK" CASE.

The case in which the "China Outlook" is being sued by Looi Wai Kee for an amount due for printing, and in which there is a counter-claim for damages, was mentioned before His Honour the Puisne Judge in the Summary Court this morning.

Mr. Norington, who represented the plaintiff, informed his Lordship that he had not seen some of the many documents of the defendant.

His Lordship: Have you made application, and particularised the documents you want.

Mr. Norington: Yes, we want the cheque books of two banks.

His Lordship (to Mr. Dixon): Have you got them.

Mr. Dixon: Yes, and my friend can have inspection any time he comes round.

The case was put into next Wednesday's list.

"THE LAW'S DELAY'S."

In the case of the Sun Yee Shing firm v. Ip Ka, which is a claim for $729.13, Mr. Russ (for the defendant) informed his Lordship that the case was fixed for Monday, and asked that the hearing be adjourned until Tuesday.

Mr. Haywood, who represented the plaintiff, objected. He had already paid costs for one adjournment.

His Lordship (to Mr. Russ): You certainly cannot have the afternoon, because it is vacation.

Mr. Haywood: I am quite prepared to go on on Monday morning.

Mr. Russ: Make it Wednesday morning, my Lord. It does not make any difference to my friend.

His Lordship: I fixed a date after considerable pressure from you, and unless you pay the costs of this application I don't see why I should change it.

Mr. Haywood: I am quite willing to an adjournment if my friend will pay the costs.

Mr. Russ: We'd better leave it as it is.

COPRA CROP.

The American Consul General has received copies of forms and instructions for bids for the purchase of the copra crop of American Samoa for the coming season. The crop is expected to amount to about 1,500 tons and is usually sold upon competitive bids. The papers can be seen by interested parties at the American Consulate.

THE R.G.A. X'MAS TREE.

The married families of the R.G.A. were entertained on the usual lavish scale yesterday afternoon on the occasion of the Annual X'mas Tree. Lieut. Colonel Iles, C.R.A., Majors Hall and Pritchard, Captain and Adjt. Garwood and Sergt.-Major Jolly assisted by numerous other workers had the trees beautifully decorated and Mrs. Pritchard and Mrs. Brewster handed the presents to the children. The proceedings started with tea, a large number of officers and ladies helping to hand round the good things. After tea, Malini, the Magician, gave a very clever performance, which was greatly appreciated.

HONGKONG VOLUNTEER CORPS.

JOINED.

The undermentioned members having joined the Corps have been posted as follows.

Pte. J. H. Walker to Scouts Company.
Pte. W. S. P. Dass do.
Pte. V. M. Galbraith Left Section.
Sapper R. K. Hadley to Engineer Company.

RESIGNED.

The undermentioned members are permitted to resign.

Gunner A. J. Carter dated 15. 12. 13.
Gunner H. E. Hollands dated 18. 12. 13.
Corpl. W. H. Warrener dated 22. 6. 13.

Pte. W. E. Lang, not having returned to Colony on the expiration of his leave, is struck off the strength of the Corps with effect from 7. 6. 13.

LEAVE.

LcCpl. G. M. D. Wolf is granted leave of absence from 15. 12. 13 to 14. 12. 14.

MUSKETRY.

The undermentioned members having qualified to fire the Classification Practices of the Regular Forces will be allowed to fire Part III of this Course at King's Park Range on Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th January, 1914. Any member failing to attend on one of these two days will forfeit the privilege of firing this Course.

Howitzer Section:—Lieut. C. Smith, Sergt. Heigh, Corpl. Bradbury, Corpl. Manuk, Gunner Green.

19 Pr. Section:—S. H. Rodger, Sergt. McKirdy, Sergt. Sorby, Gunner Bassford, Gunner Heath, Gunner Hoy, Gunner Miller, Gunner Summers.

Centre Section:—Capt. G. G. Wood, S. M. Witchell, Sergt. Duncan, Pte Bolton, Civil Service Coy. Pte. Dillon.

Engineer Coy.:—Sergt. Haines, Sergt. Sutherland, Corpl. Kynoch, Sapper Jex, Sapper Jones, Sapper Richards, Sapper Wilkie.

Left Section:—Capt. Armstrong, Sergt. Biden, Sergt. Bullock, LcCpl. Rowe, Pte. Newhouse, Pte. Rouse, Pte. West.

Scouts Coy.:—Capt. G. E. Stewart, Sergt. Murdoch, Corpl. McCormick, Corpl. Long, LcCpl. Hogarty, Pte. Arbuthnot, Pte. Railton.

NOTICE.

Thursday 25th being Christmas day there will be no Jiu-Jitsu practice on that date.

THE BEST COUGH MEDICINE.
CHAMBERLAIN'S Cough Remedy [illegible]

THE CHUNG SAU NAM CASE.

CONTINUATION OF THE ARGUMENT.

The hearing of the appeal against an order made by the Chief Justice in Chambers refusing to dismiss the action in which Lung Chai Kwong, Governor General of the Province of Kwangtung, and Woo Ming Pun, Commissioner of Finance for the Province of Kwangtung, are suing Chung Sau Nam and Russo-Asiatic Bank to recover $150,000, was continued before the Full Court (composed of their Honours the Chief Justice, Sir William Rees Davies, and the Puisne Judge, Mr. Justice Gompertz) in the Supreme Court yesterday.

Sir Francis Piggott, and Mr. C. G. Alabaster, instructed by Mr. W. R. Hind (of Mr. C. K. Hall Brutton's office) appeared for the defendant-appellant; and Mr. Eldon Potter and Mr. F. C. Jenkin, instructed by Mr. R. F. C. Master (of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master), appeared for the plaintiff respondent.

The following is the concluding part of Counsels' argument, addressed to their Lordships yesterday afternoon. The preceding portion appeared in yesterday's "China Mail":—

Mr. Potter argued that Logan's case was absolutely to the contrary. He quoted sections from that case in support of his argument, and submitted that Sir Francis Piggott's contention was altogether wrong. The cases were all the other way, and one stated that although an injustice was placed upon the defendant, a grievous injustice, yet if an injustice would be put upon the plaintiff by dismissing the action, the Court must refuse the application.

Mr. Jenkin then raised a point in support of the judgment of his Lordship the Chief Justice. He pointed out that if there were possibly two constructions which could be put upon this Ordinance of 1851, and one of the constructions would lead to an absurdity, an injustice or something irrational, then their Lordships must adopt the other construction. He had no doubt that Sir Francis Piggott would admit that was the proper way of looking at this Ordinance. If the construction of Sir Francis was right, that an absconding agent could not be sued civilly we could be prosecuted criminally, that would lead to rather an absurd state of affairs.

Sir Francis Piggott, in reply, said their Lordship had, although perhaps they did not know it, been submitting during yesterday afternoon to an operation; not an unpleasant one, in fact, he might say an exceedingly pleasant one; it made the afternoon pass quite pleasantly. The operation to which he referred was that they had been inoculated with what he might call "Mr. Potter's microbe." The origin of that microbe was very much to his credit. It was due to that intense belief in the Clarence case which all true advocates had, more especially Irishmen. The Court had heard all sorts of reference to the criminal law. He (Sir Francis) thought they had had enough of criminal law in the extradition case, and he did not quite see what it had to do in the present action. The peculiar danger of this microbe was, that when the Court was thoroughly inoculated with this justice of the plaintiff's case, they were rather apt to forget that possibly there was a little justice on the defendant's side. "I certainly argued this case as if it were a demurrer," continued Sir Francis, "as if, therefore, the facts on the evidence were admitted. But I never knew before that on demurrer you were entitled to dilate on the facts." Referring to the question of criminal law, Counsel said Mr. Potter's point seemed to be that because the criminal law did something the civil law should do the same; because the defendant would come within the same section of the Larceny Act, therefore he ought to be within the jurisdiction of the Civil Court. He did not know what section of the Larceny Act his client would come under.

Mr. Potter: I have not suggested that my friend's client should come under the Larceny Act.

The Puisne Judge: As I understood Mr. Potter, it was a hypothesis.

Sir Francis Piggott said if that was so he would put the criminal law on one side altogether. If the criminal law was in advance of the civil law, then in every Court, to enlarge its jurisdiction, it was for the Legislature to bring the civil law up to the criminal law. His learned friend said they considered they were entitled to the money, and they had therefore got it by attachment. If this action could not be brought at all, then his friend's clients had no right to their interim attachment. The right to interim execution depended on the right to bring this action. Therefore, if Ordinance No. 1 of 1851 applied to this case, they had no right to protest this property which they were pleased to call theirs, but which he said was not theirs, and would show that it was no more theirs than it was their Lordships, or anybody else's in Court.

As stated in yesterday's issue, their Lordships reserved judgment.

NEVER LATE FOR FIFTY YEARS.

Mr. Henry East, who has just completed fifty years' Government service in the Royal Army Clothing Department at Pimlico, where he is now senior clerk, has never been late and never been absent owing to illness.

Europeans resident in the Malay Peninsula are subject to quite enough diseases as it is, and should have [illegible] to acquire forms of illness which are [illegible] Asiatics only. Yet Europeans [illegible] walk barefooted in their own [illegible] by doing so they [illegible] to ankylostomiasis [illegible] would be unlikely to [illegible] —Straits Times.

SCOTTISH SPORT.

(*From Our Own Correspondent.*)

EDINBURGH, December 2.

RUGBY.

Edinburgh University, though rather weakly represented, easily overcame Clydesdale. Glasgow University were defeated by the narrowest possible margin, and it was only the determined play of the Jed Forest eight against the wind that saved them from defeat. R. H. S., of course, has no difficulty in running up a long score against West.

For some time the Scottish Rugby Union have tried to foster the game in the North, and their efforts were no doubt rewarded by the meritorious work of that district against the South last year. It is, however, rather disconcerting to find a by no means strong Watsonian team simply toying with the Northern players at St. Andrews. Inequality of back play might have been pardoned, but there was a complete failure of the North forwards to hold the School eight. Bonthorn and Leadingham were the only men of real merit. It must be noted that the Union had great difficulty in gathering a side, and that therefore the game was scarcely a fair reflex of the strength of the North.

RUGBY RESULTS.

Edin. University, 21; Clydesdale, 0.
Kelvinside Acads., 3; Glas H. S., F. P., 0.
Jed Forest, 6; Glas. University, 5.
R. H. S., F. P., 45; West of Scot., 0.
Edin. Academicals, 8; Institution F. P., 3.
Edin. Wanderers, 6; Stewartonians, 3.
Watsonians, 30; North of Scot., 5.
Hawick, 11; Selkirk, 3.
Gala, 12; Melrose, 3.
Kelso, 13; Langholm, 3.
Glas. H. S. 3; R. H. S., 3.
Stewart's, 10 Glas. Academy, 9.
Glas. Acads. A., 10; Fettes, 3.
Merchiston 11; Edin. Academy, 0.
Loretto, 3; Brunstane, 0.

ASSOCIATION.

The position of the leaders in the League is unchanged,—Celtic, Hearts, Rangers, and Morton all won their matches,—and there is general satisfaction that four clubs are concerned in the Championship as against the usual duel by Celtic-Rangers. It was a good fight between Rangers and Clyde; but Reid took the one chance offered him, and won for his side. Celtic were always the better at Airdrie; this is their eleventh consecutive victory, even although the veterans, Quinn and M'Menemy are still on the injured list. Hearts scored heavily against Aberdeen, and the Northerners will have to get new blood if they are to take any part in the coming Cup ties.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE—FIRST DIVISION.

Queen's Park, 2; Third Lanark, 2.
Rangers, 1; Clyde, 0.
Celtic, 1; Airdrieonians, 0.
Hearts, 4; Aberdeen, 0.
Morton, 2; Hibernian, 1.
Falkirk, 2; Motherwell, 1.
Ayr United, 2; St. Mirren, 0
Kilmarnock, 0; Dundee, 0.
Dumbarton, 1; Hamilton Academicals, 1.
Raith Rovers, 2; Partick Thistle, 0.

SECOND DIVISION.

Leith, 1; Vale of Leven, 0.
Dunfermline Athletic, 3; Albion Rovers, 2.
East Stirlingshire, 3; Cowdenbeath, 0.
St. Johnstone, 4; Johnstone, 2.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE UP TO DATE.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	Pts.
Celtic	17	14	2	1	29
Hearts of Mid-L.	17	11	1	5	27
Rangers	17	12	4	1	25
Morton	15	11	3	1	23
Falkirk	18	8	4	6	22
Airdrieonians	17	7	4	6	20
Dundee	17	9	6	2	20
Ayr United	16	7	7	2	16
Raith Rovers	17	6	8	3	15
Hibernians	17	6	9	2	14
Clyde	15	4	5	6	14
Third Lanark	14	5	5	4	14
St. Mirren	16	6	9	1	13
Motherwell	16	5	9	2	12
Partick Thistle	16	4	0	4	12
Dumbarton	14	4	6	4	12
Queen's Park	16	3	8	5	11
Aberdeen	17	2	10	5	9
Kilmarnock	16	2	10	4	8
Hamilton Acade	16	2	0	4	4

FREEMASONRY AT MALACCA.

The installation of the Worshipful Master, Bro. H. M. Darby, took place at Lodge Elliot, Malacca, on Saturday evening, 13th inst. the Installing Master being Wor. Bro. Sproule, who with Wor. Bro. Ball (District Grand Secretary) and Wor. Bro. Still had travelled from Singapore for the purpose of taking part in the ceremony. The newly installed master chose and invested his officers as follows:—I.P.M. Wor. Bro. E. N. Graham, S. W. Bro. C. W. Keppel Powis, J. W. Bro. J. W. Campbell, Chaplain Bro. Rev. K. Garnier, Treasurer Bro. R. W. Dunn, Secretary Bro. J. Howell, S.D. Bro. T. W. Main, J.D. Bro. H. W. Ford, D. of C. Bro. A. E. Fleming, I.G. Bro. E. E. Smith, Stewards Bro. E. G. Weir, and Bro. M. Stone, Tyler Bro. F. Macfarlane. At the close of masonic duties, the brethren and a number of visitors dined together, and the usual masonic toasts were honoured, special thanks being given to the ladies who had decorated the tables and supervised the preparation of the excellent repast. Music followed, and the evening passed most pleasantly. It is gratifying to record that during the past year, its first, Lodge Elliot has made great progress, and starts with a fairly substantial balance to the good. A beautiful banner, presented by Right Wor. District Grand Master F. M. Elliot, arrived in time to decorate the Lodge and banqueting hall.

Mr. Jrinon, the Lyons stockbroker, who recently disappeared, leaving liabilities said to amount to 3,000,000 francs, has been arrested at Malta. After leaving Lyons the stockbroker proceeded direct to [illegible]

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

BRITISH GUIANA CONFLAGRATION.

TREMENDOUS DESTRUCTION.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

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Six blocks of buildings have been destroyed at George town, British Guiana, by a fire and explosion. The damage, which falls on a Demerara company, is estimated at $700,000, and included the destruction of 8,000 tons of sugar.

MR. LLOYD GEORGE AND THE FARMERS.

Labourers Preferable to Parsons.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Mr. Lloyd George, addressing a meeting at Pwllheli, and speaking in Welsh, said that the Government intended to grant to farmers, in districts where the labourers' wages were compulsorily raised, facilities to obtain a reduction in their rents. A temporary reduction would likewise be obtainable in times of depression. The days of the infamous leasehold system were numbered and he wished to deal fairly all round, but if agricultural economy was necessary to keep people on the land, it would be better to economise on parsons than on labourers.

INCREASED PAY FOR FRENCH ARMY OFFICERS.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The Chamber have passed a Bill increasing the pay of the Army Officers and non Commissioned Officers. M. Caillaux, replying to questions, foreshadowed an increase in the salaries of civil officials.

OBITUARY.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The death is announced of Lieut.-Colonel Sir C. A. A. Frederick, K.C.B., G.C.V.O., formerly Master of the Household.

ARRESTED JOURNALIST RELEASED.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Mr. Alan Ostler, the special correspondent of the *Daily Express* in Somaliland, has now been released.

LATE MR. ARTHUR CHAMBERLAIN'S FORTUNE.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Mr. Arthur Chamberlain, brother of Mr. Joseph Chamberlain, who died on 20th October, has left £143,000.

DISASTROUS BUSH FIRES IN AUSTRALIA.

Hundreds of People Homeless.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

A telegram from Melbourne states that two hundred houses and camps have been destroyed by bush fires, and hundreds of people are homeless.

GREAT BRITAIN AND GERMANY.

Prince Von Buelow's Views.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Prince von Buelow, in an interesting essay which he has contributed to a book entitled "Germany under William II," attributes the British attitude towards German naval and political expansion to a traditional British policy of opposing the strongest Continental Power. Prince von Buelow maintains that this attitude is unjustifiable in the case of Germany, since her aims are fundamentally different from those animating Great Britain's rivals in past ages. Referring to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain's overtures for an alliance at the opening of the Boer war, the Prince says that absolutely binding engagements would have been necessary, and this would have brought Germany into antagonism with Russia. He declares frankly also that it would have been a mistake for Germany to have joined an anti-British Continental coalition at the time of the Boer war, although public opinion would have favoured it.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

A LONDON CONFLAGRATION.

EXCITING RESCUES.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

A fire broke out in a block of flats in Hyde Park Chambers, Knightsbridge. Two upper storeys blazed furiously, illuminating the district. A waiter was killed on returning for his money, and three others were injured. Magnificent work was performed by the fire brigade, who eventually checked the flames. There were exciting rescues from flats eight storeys high, in which Mr. Locker-Lampson, M.P., and other Knightsbridge residents assisted strenuously.

THE JOHANNESBURG SENSATION.

Sir Lionel Phillips Progressing.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that a second bullet has been extracted from Sir Lionel Phillips, and the patient is now as well as can be expected.

THE LEEDS STRIKE.

The Struggle to be Continued.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The hope of a setlement of the strike at Leeds has been shattered. A meeting of the strikers on Monday evening resolved to continue the struggle. Mr. Will Thorne, M.P., advised the men to go out on the streets and use their feet as well as their fists.

ANTI-TRUST LEGISLATION IN AMERICA.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

A Washington telegram states that as a result of the Government's threat to make the anti-trust legislation more stringent, a number of Corporations have taken the initiative and are reorganising their constitutions in conformity with the existing laws, hoping thereby to ward off the unfavourable conditions.

PROPOSED POLICEMEN'S UNION.

A Trafalgar Square Demonstration.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

About 300 policemen, in mufti, and carrying a red flag, held a demonstration in Trafalgar Square in support of the proposed Policemen's Union, which has been prohibited by the Authorities. Speeches were delivered by civilians denouncing Mr. McKenna (the Home Secretary) and others. There was little enthusiasm.

THE POSEN DOMESTIC TRAGEDY.

A Romantic Story.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The history of Count and Countess Mielezynski reads like a chapter from a romance. The Count became enamoured of the beautiful Countess, and when the marriage was opposed by the Countess' family in 1895 he attempted to commit suicide by shooting himself, whereupon the father of the Countess relented, and the couple were married. The marriage was happy for years, but then the Count began to object to his wife's friends. Eventually she left her husband, who devoted himself to his absorbing hobbies, politics and painting. The Countess recently inherited a large fortune. Friends effected a reconciliation, but the friendship of the Countess, who was 38 years of age, with her nephew, who was 14 years younger, soon became notorious in the neighbourhood and culminated in the terrible tragedy.

The Inquiry.

At a judicial enquiry, the Countess' maid testified that the nephew had been spending the evening at the Castle. He drank a quantity of wine, and wanted to borrow money from his uncle or aunt, and after the Countess had retired her nephew came to her room, despite the Countess' urgent entreaty not to do so. He was returning to his own room when the Count arrived, and the tragedy then occurred.

The Count, in his evidence, insisted that he was searching for burglars, and found the two together in the Countess' bedroom. He then fired while in a state of uncontrollable fury.

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

THE MEXICAN CRISIS.

REBELS AT TAMPICO.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The American gunboat *Wheeling*, has been ordered to proceed to Tampico, round which the rebels are again pressing closely.

Run on the Banks.

THE PRESIDENT'S AMUSING SUGGESTION.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A telegram from Mexico City states that in order to check the run on the banks President Huerta has decreed a bank holiday until the end of the year. The principal banks, however, have decided not to act upon this decree.

THE PESHAWAR OUTRAGE.

The Outlaws Over-reached.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A Peshawar telegram states that the passengers in the train which was held up by brigands near that city on December 22 included Major Stirling, Captain Twiss, Captain Baker and Lieut. [illegible], with a number of British and Indian soldiers. The officers rapidly organised a counter-attack and drove off the Pathans.

Another Railway Atrocity.

A band of brigands, believed to be Afridis, has attacked Khairabad station, killing two men and kidnapping the stationmaster.

HISTORIC ESTATES FOR SALE.

An Offer to the Tenants.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

The Earl of Kintore is offering for sale his historic estates round Inverurie and Kintore and those between Montrose and Aberdeen. The area is about 20,000 acres and they produce over £23,000 sterling per annum. If the estates are not sold in their entirety they will be disposed of in lots and the tenants will have the first chance of acquiring their farms.

AMERICAN CURRENCY BILL.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A Washington message states that the House of Representatives has passed the Currency Bill, which will probably be adopted by the Senate to-day.

COLLIERY FIRE AT VLADIVOSTOK.

Fifty Men Underground.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A telegram from Vladivostok states that a fire which has been raging for a week at one of the local collieries is now spreading.

It is attributed to incendiarism.

Fifty men were underground when it started.

JACK JOHNSON AND SAM LANGFORD TO MEET.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

Negotiations are proceeding between Jack Johnson and Sam Langford to fight for the World's Heavyweight Championship.

ABYSSINIAN MONARCH DEAD.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

The death of King Menelik is officially announced.

CANADA AND OIL FUEL.

Admiralty Control In War Time.

LONDON, Dec. 23.

A telegram from Ottawa states that the amended regulations governing the issue of the new leases of the oil lands in the North-West territory provide that the Admiralty shall have control of the wells and their output in time of war.

THE CHILDREN'S COLDS.

WATCH the children's colds and cure them before they weaken the vitality. Use Chamberlain's Cough Remedy. [illegible]

BY TELEGRAPH.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

TERRIBLE FAMINE IN JAPAN.

EXTREME DISTRESS REPORTED.

TOKYO, Dec. 24.

A telegram from Tokyo states that a terrible famine has occurred in the Aomori and Hokkaido provinces owing to the failure of the crops and fishing.

Harrowing details are arriving of the extreme distress of the population there and of the nefarious actions of the traffickers, who are declared to be taking disgraceful advantage.

AN ALARMING INCIDENT.

Terrible Effects of Gas Explosion.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A telegram from Rostock reports that while the Imperial train was waiting there to convey the Dowager Empress to St. Petersburg an explosion of gas occurred and seven railwaymen were injured.

M. C. C. vs. TRANSVAAL.

Another Big Victory.

LONDON, Dec. 24.

A telegram from Johannesburg states that Marylebone C. C. beat Transvaal by an innings and 29 runs.

THE NESTLE & ANGLO-SWISS CONDENSED MILK CO. XMAS COMPETITION.

At the invitation of the Manager of the Hongkong Office of the above Company, representatives of the Hongkong Daily Press, South China Morning Post, China Mail, and Hongkong Telegraph were separately asked to vote upon the attempts sent in. To shorten the work of judging, the Company had selected sixteen attempts from the very large number sent in, which they considered the best, and the work of each newspaper representative was to select what he considered the best out of these sixteen, the votes being placed in a sealed envelope.

A design sent in by one whose *nom de plume* is "Spes," which was at once unique, handy, and adaptable, secured the majority of votes, and he has been adjudicated the winner. In this his "Spes" has been realised.

Our representative was agreeably surprised to find the amount of artistic genius which is latent in the Colony, and The Nestlé and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Company are to be congratulated on having discovered this talent by means of such a fair and open competition as they have been conducting during the past two months.

In the event of a tie in votes, the Manager of the Hongkong Branch of the Company would have given a casting vote. It is pleasant to be able to add, however, that a casting vote was not necessary.

The names of the winners of consolation prizes (consisting of a varied assortment of the Company's goods to the value of $25.00) are:—Coventry; Oculus; Canton; Progress; Milk-O; Niblick; Victoria Morris; Keley; Fond Mother; Noel; Dick Whittington.

It will be noticed there are eleven consolation prizes, as "Noel" and "Dick Whittington" tied, in the opinion of the Company.

THE KWONG YIK BANKING CO., LTD.

The following correspondence has been taken from the "Straits Times" of Dec. 16th.

To the Editor of the Straits Times.

Sir,—We shall be glad, if you can in your issue of to-day's date, spare room for the insertion of the enclosed letters with reference to the liquidation of the above Company.—Yours, etc.,

SISSON AND DELAY.

Singapore, December 16, 1913.

The Secretary, Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

THE KWONG YIK BANK, LTD.

Dear Sir,—We are requested by the directors to inform you that at a meeting of shareholders held yesterday it was decided that the company should go into voluntary liquidation.

The shareholders desired that the Chinese Chamber of Commerce should be appointed liquidators, but we advised them that the liquidator must be a person or persons, and it was decided to appoint your president and vice president joint liquidators and we are informed they have consented to act.

Notice of the meeting for passing the resolution for winding up and for appointment of liquidators is being sent out to-day, and we enclose a copy for your information.—Yours faithfully.

(Sd.) SISSON AND DELAY.

December 9, 1913.

Messrs. Sisson and Delay.

Gentlemen,—In reply to your letter of 9th December, 1913, on behalf of the Kwong Yik Bank, inviting Mr. Lim Peng Siang, President of Chinese Chamber of Commerce, and Mr. Leow Chia Heng, Vice President of the Chinese Chamber of Commerce, to act as liquidators of the Kwong Yik Bank, I have the honour to inform you that, in consideration of the [illegible] interests involved, and of the wishes of many Chinese creditors who are members of our Chamber, Messrs. Lim Peng Siang and Leow Chia Heng of our Chamber are prepared to accept the position of liquidators if duly appointed [illegible]

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EXTRADITION PROCEEDINGS.

At the Police Court this afternoon before Mr. Hazeland were continued the proceedings arising out of a requisition for the extradition of Chan Yun Kong, by the Chinese Government on charges of murder and robbery committed in China.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson, assistant Crown Solicitor, assisted by Mr. Lewis of Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, made the application, and Mr. Davidson, of Messrs. Hastings and Hastings, defended.

The Assistant Crown Solicitor, dealing with the question of identification pointed out that the prisoner was clearly identified by a number of persons who saw him at the house at the time the murder was committed, and submitted that evidence of identification alone was sufficient upon which to extradite prisoner. This evidence had been criticised but had not been contradicted by prosecution. The defence had not shown one single discrepancy between the evidence of the two principal witnesses of the murder on the main facts. They had actual evidence that prisoner was seen to fire the fatal shot.

Mr. Hodgson was still addressing the court when we went to press.

EXTRAORDINARY AFFAIR IN JAVA.

European Runs Amok.

A European named David, said to be the agent of Kolr and Co., but to have formerly been a member of a touring company of variety artistes, paid a visit to the Office of Governor-General Idenburg, of the Dutch East Indies, at Buitenzorg, Java, on Nov. 7, and told Capt. Bouwmeester, who was on duty, that he had come to complain of his treatment by the authorities. He was handed paper, pen and ink to formulate his complaint, when he complained of feeling faint and asked for a glass of water. This was given him by the Captain and he drank it. Without another word David then pulled out a Browning pistol and commenced firing at the Captain, one bullet entering his liver and prostrating him. David continued to fire and wounded a native in the thigh. Oversten Kan and Van Vere, hearing the shots rushed in on the scene and were also fired at, the shots, however missing their mark. David then jumped out of the window and into the palace garden still firing wildly and directing his course to the main road. The Nieuws Van den Dag says that Governor-General Idenburg then appeared on the scene and ordered the Palace guard to fire on the would-be amok. This was done and David hit the dust with two bullets in his [illegible] and one in his [illegible]. David is described as being [illegible]

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KOBE & YOKOHAMA	KITANO MARU, Capt. Cope. Tons 16,000	THURSDAY, 1st Jan., Daylight.
NAGASAKI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	NIKKO MARU, Capt. M. Takeda, Tons 9,600	WEDNESDAY, 14th Jan. at 11 a.m.
BOMBAY, via SINGAPORE, AND COLOMBO	RANGOON MARU, Capt. —, Tons 12,000	SATURDAY, 27th December.
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CHINA NAVIGATION CO., LD.

SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATION

FOR	STEAMERS	TO SAIL
SWATOW, AMOY & SHANGHAI	CHANGCHOW	Dec. 25, at Noon.
SHANGHAI	HUICHOW	Dec. 26, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU	KANCHOW	Dec. 27, Midnight.
SHANGHAI	SHAOHSING	Dec. 30, at Noon.
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO	SUNGKIANG	Dec. 30, at 4 p.m.
PAKHOI & HAIPHONG	KAIFONG	Dec. 31, at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	LUCHOW	Jan. 1, at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU	CHENAN	Jan. 3, Midnight.

DIRECT SAILINGS TO WEST RIVER.—Twice Weekly.
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The Steamers leaving Hongkong on Sundays proceed from Shanghai to Tsingtau, leaving there on Tuesdays for Shanghai, Hongkong and Canton.

N.B.—Passengers must embark before midnight on Saturday for the Sunday morning sailing. A Company's launch leaves Murray Pier at 10 o'clock every Saturday night.

These Steamers land passengers in Shanghai, avoiding the inconvenience of transhipment at Woosung.

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INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LD.

PROJECTED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG
(SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

FOR	STEAMERS		TO SAIL
†SHANGHAI	*WOSANG*	SATURDAY,	Dec. 27, Daylight.
* MANILA	*YUENSANG*	SATURDAY,	Dec. 27, at 2 p.m.
†SHANGHAI	*KWONGSANG*	SUNDAY,	Dec. 28, Daylight.
†SHANGHAI	*WINGSANG*	TUESDAY,	Dec. 30, Daylight.
†SHANGHAI	*KINGSING*	FRIDAY,	Jan. 2, Daylight.
*TSINGTAU, WEIHAIWEI, CHEFOO, DALNY & CHINWANTAO	*CHEONGSHING*	FRIDAY,	Jan. 2, at Noon.
* MANILA	*LOONGSANG*	SATURDAY,	Jan. 3, at 2 p.m.

RETURN TOURS TO JAPAN. (Occupying 24 days).

THE steamers *Kutsang*, *Namsang* & *Laisang* leave about every 3 weeks for Shanghai and Japan-returning via Kobe (Inland Sea) and Moji to Hongkong. Time occupied 30 days. This service is supplemented by the *Fooksang*, *Kumsang*, *Loksang*, *Yatshing* and *Suisang* leaving Hongkong at regular intervals for Yokohama, Kobe & Moji and returning thence direct to Hongkong. Time occupied 16 days.

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SUBJECT TO CHANGE WITHOUT NOTICE.
'SHIRE' LINE SERVICE.—HOMEWARD.

For	Steamers.	Date of Departure.
LONDON & ANTWERP	'DEN OF GLAMIS'	2nd Jan.
LONDON & ANTWERP	'MONMOUTHSHIRE'	28th Jan.
LONDON & ANTWERP	'DEN OF AIRLIE'	28th Feb.

TRANS-PACIFIC 'SHIRE' AND 'GLEN' JOINT SERVICE.

VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA & PORTLAND	'MERIONETHSHIRE'	27th December.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA & PORTLAND	'GLENROY'	15th January.
VICTORIA, VANCOUVER, SEATTLE, TACOMA & PORTLAND	'CARDIGANSHIRE'	5th February.

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REGULAR SERVICE BETWEEN
CALCUTTA, STRAITS, HONGKONG, SHANGHAI AND JAPAN PORTS.

EASTWARD

S.S. 'A. APCAR,' [illegible] Captain Walker, will be despatched for SHANGHAI, KOBE and MOJI on [illegible]

S.S. 'THONGWA,' [illegible] will be despatched for YOKOHAMA, KOBE and MOJI on [illegible]

WESTWARD

[illegible] will be despatched [illegible] SINGAPORE, PENANG, CALCUTTA [illegible] at Noon.

[illegible] will be despatched [illegible]

[illegible] for passage [illegible]

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SHIPPING

STEAM FOR
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Through Bills of Lading issued for BATAVIA, PERSIAN GULF, CONTINENTAL, AMERICAN AND SOUTH AFRICAN PORTS.

THE Steamship *HIMALAYA*, Captain H. G. EVANS, R.N.R., carrying His Majesty's Mails will be despatched from this port for BOMBAY, on SATURDAY, the 3rd January, at Noon, taking Passengers and Cargo for the above ports in connection with the Company's Steamship *Malwa* from Colombo, Passengers' accommodation in which vessel is secured before departure from Hongkong.

Silk and Valuables, and Tea and Cargo for France, and London (under arrangement) will be transhipped at Colombo into the mail steamer proceeding direct to Marseilles & London; other cargo for London, etc., will be conveyed via Bombay and transhipped to s.s. *Arabia* due in London on the 14th February, 1914.

Parcels will be received at this Office until 4 p.m. the day before sailing. The contents and value of all packages are required.

For further particulars, apply to

E. A. HEWETT,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, Dec. 20, 1913.

THE 'INDRA' LINE, LIMITED.

FOR NEW YORK.

(With Liberty to Call at the MALABAR COAST).

THE Steamship
"INDRAKUALA"
Captain A. H. SMITH, will be despatched as above on 8th January.

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Hongkong, Dec. 10, 1913. 1533

THE 'INDRA' LINE, LIMITED.

FOR SAN FRANCISCO.

THE Steamship
"INDRASAMHA"
Captain JONES, will be despatched as above about the middle of January.

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AMERICAN AND ORIENTAL LINE.

FOR BOSTON AND NEW YORK
VIA SUEZ CANAL.
(With Liberty to call at the MALABAR Coast).

THE Steamship
"SHIRLEY,"
Captain HORLEY, will be despatched as above on SATURDAY, the 17th January, 1914.

For Freight and passage, apply to

ARNHOLD, KARBERG & CO.,
General Agents.
Hongkong, Dec. 16, 1913. 154

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Chartered Steamship "JEHANARA," Captain [illegible], having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and stored at their risk in the [illegible] Godowns of the [illegible] Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given TODAY.

All Claims must be presented within [illegible] days of the [illegible] which date [illegible]

No Claims will be [illegible] Goods have left the Godowns [illegible] Goods remaining undelivered after the [illegible] will be subject to rent.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on [illegible] 9.30 A.M.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by the [illegible] in any case whatever.

This Steamer brings on cargo [illegible]

[illegible]

Hongkong, Dec. [illegible] 1913.

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SHIPPING

PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY

HOMEWARD PASSENGER SEASON. 1914

PROPOSED SAILINGS OF MAIL STEAMERS

FOR

MARSEILLES & LONDON,

TAKING PASSENGERS ALSO FOR

COLOMBO, INDIA, AUSTRALASIA, EGYPT, BRINDISI, &c.

THROUGH TICKETS ISSUED TO BOSTON AND NEW YORK.

Connecting Steamer "ORIENTAL" leaves YOKOHAMA	STEAMERS to COLOMBO	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave HONGKONG	Connecting Steamers from COLOMBO to MARSEILLES and LONDON	Due at MARSEILLES	Due at PLYMOUTH (London 1 day later)
p.m. Thurs.		p.m. Tues.	noon Satur.		Friday	Thursday
Jan. 8	EGYPT	Jan. 13	Jan. 17	MOOLTAN ...	Feb. 13	Feb. 19
Jan. 22	DEVANHA	Jan. 27	Jan. 31	MOREA.........	Feb. 27	Mar. 5
Feb. 5	CHINA	Feb. 10	Feb. 14	MALOJA	Mar. 13	Mar. 19
Feb. 19	ASSAYE ...	Feb. 24	Feb. 28	MARMORA ...	Mar. 27	Apr. 2
Mar. 5	INDIA	Mar. 10	Mar. 14	MOLDAVIA...	Apr. 10	Apr. 16
Mar 19	DEVANHA	Mar. 24	Mar. 28	MEDINA	Apr. 24	Apr. 30
Apr. 2	ARCADIA...	Apr.	Apr. 11	MONGOLIA...	May 8	May 14
Apr. 16	DELTA	Apr	Apr. 25	MALWA	May 22	May 28
Apr. 30	ASSAYE ...	May 5	May 9	MOOLTAN ...	June 5	June 11

Passengers change Steamers at COLOMBO, and those for BRINDISI transfer also to the Express Mail Steamer at PORT SAID.

Accommodation in the connecting Steamer from COLOMBO is definitely reserved in Hongkong at the time of Booking.

FARES TO LONDON AND MARSEILLES

The Fares to London and Marseilles are as follows:—

LONDON.

				SINGLE		RETURN
1ST SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	£65.	RETURN	£97.
	"B"	"	"	£59.	"	£89.
2ND SALOON	"A"	"	"	£44.	"	£66.
	"B"	"	"	£40.	"	£60.

MARSEILLES.

				SINGLE		RETURN
1ST SALOON	"A"	Accommodation	SINGLE	£61.	RETURN	£91.
	"B"	"	"	£55.	"	£83.
2ND. SALOON	"A"	"	"	£42.	"	£63.
	"B"	"	"	£38.	"	£57.

IN ADDITION TO THE ABOVE MAIL STEAMERS

INTERMEDIATE (NON-TRANSHIPMENT) **STEAMERS**

WILL LEAVE FOR

LONDON.

CARRYING 1ST AND 2ND SALOON PASSENGERS AT REDUCED RATES.

PROPOSED SAILINGS:

STEAMERS.	Leave Y'HAMA	Leave SHANGHAI	Leave H'KONG	Leave S'PORE	Due at M'SEILLES	Due at LONDON
	about	about	about	about	about	about
BORNEO..........	Jan. 6	Jan. 17	Jan. 21	Jan. 27	Feb. 23	Mar. 4
NANKIN	Jan. 20	Jan. 31	Feb.	Feb. 10	Mar. 9	Mar. 18
NYANZA	Feb. 3	Feb. 14	Feb	Feb. 24	Mar. 23	Apr. 1
NORE............	Feb. 17	Feb. 28	Mar. 4	Mar. 10	Apr. 6	Apr. 15
NILE	Mar. 3	Mar. 14	Mar. 18	Mar. 24	Apr. 21	Apr. 30
MALTA...........	Mar. 17	Mar. 28	Apr. 1	Apr. 7	May 5	May 14
*KHIVA	Mar. 31	Apr. 11	Apr. 15	Apr. 21	May 19	May 28
NUBIA	Apr. 14	Apr. 25	Apr. 29	May 6	June 3	June 12
NAMUR	Apr. 28	May 9	May 13	May 20	June 18	June 27

* New Steamer

These Steamers call also at PORT SWETTENHAM, PENANG, and COLOMBO.

FARES TO LONDON

1ST SALOON £50 SINGLE: £75 RETURN.
2ND " £35 " £52 "

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NAPLES, GENOA, ALGIERS, GIBRALTAR, SOUTHAMPTON, ANTWERP & BREMEN.	PRINCESS ALICE, Capt. J. Bortfeldt,	(20,300)	WEDNESDAY, 24th Dec., at 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA...	LUTZOW, Capt. T. Textor,	(16,900)	About THURSDAY, 25th Dec.
MANILA, ANGAUR, YAP, NEWGUINEA, BRISBANE, SYDNEY & MELBOURNE.	COBLENZ, Capt. L. Klugkist,	(6,750)	SATURDAY. 27th December, at 9 a.m.
KOBE	PRINZ SIGISMUND, Capt. A. Huurtzig.	(6,000)	About TUESDAY, 6th Jan,
JESSELTON, KUDAT AND SANDAKAN	BORNEO. Capt. J. Koehler.		SATURDAY, 3rd January.

All the steamers of the European Line are fitted with Wireless Telegraphy. New System of Telefunken.

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG.

OUTWARD. Steamship	about 1914	HOMEWARD.
MARK	2nd Febr.	For Marseilles, Dunkirk, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. MARK about Middle of March.
TUEBINGEN	16th Febr.	For Havre, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. TUEBINGEN ... ... about End of March.
FRANKEN	2nd March.	For Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. FRANKEN ... ... about Middle of April.
GOETTINGEN ...	16th March.	For Havre, Dunkirk, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. GOETTINGEN ... ... about Beginning of May.
LOTHRINGEN ...	30th March.	For Marseilles, Antwerp, Rotterdam and Bremen/Hamburg: S.S. LOTHRINGEN ... ... about Middle of May.
THUERINGEN ...	13th April.	For Havre, Emden and Hamburg/Bremen: S.S. TEUERINGEN ... ... about Beginning of June.

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MONTHLY FAST SERVICE TO TRIESTE (VENICE).

Via Straits, Colombo, Aden, Suez, Port-Said.

S.S. **KOERBER,** 9,900 tons, will leave as above on 15th January, at 4 p.m. Superior accommodation for 1st, and 2nd Class passengers, no surtax, no tips, no inside Cabins. Doctor Stewardesses Laundry, Wireless Telegraphy.

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S.S. **E. F. FERDINAND,** 12,000 tons, will leave as above about December 31st.

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TO SHANGHAI:

SS. **KOERBER,** 9900 tons, will leave as above on 2nd January, at 6 a.m.

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TO KOBE, Via SHANGHAI, YOKOHAMA.

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Steamers		Captains	Leave
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'CHICAGO MARU'	‡	I. Goto	Thursday, 22nd Jan. at 1 P.M.
'TACOMA MARU'	‡	T. Hamada	
'PANAMA MARU'	†	J. Kanao	

† Calling at SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKKAICHI & YOKOHAMA.
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'SAIGON MARU'	T. Yamaguchi	
'INDO MARU'	K. Komiya	

FOR MOJI KOBE & YOKKAICHI.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
'SAIGON MARU'	T. Yamaguchi	
'LUZON MARU'	K. Sukawa	
'INDO MARU'	K. Komiya	

CHINA AND FORMOSA LINE.

FOR TAMSUI VIA SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamers	Captains	Leaving
'DAIGI MARU'	S. Tokushige	Sunday, 28th Dec. at 10 a.m.
'DAIJIN MARU'	K. Murakami	

FOR FOOCHOW VIA SWATOW AND AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
'KAIJO MARU	Y. Yamamoto	Wednesday, 31st Dec, at Noon.

FOR ANPING & TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
SOSHU MARU'	K. Tashira.	Thursday, 25th Dec. at 8 a.m.

FOR CANTON.

Steamer	Captain	Leaving
'SOSHU MARU'	K. Tashira	Sunday, 21st Dec.

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PROPOSED SAILINGS.

FROM HONGKONG:		FROM COLOMBO:
3rd January, 1913.	"KATANGA"	16th January, 1914.

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Regular Direct Service from JAPAN, CHINA and STRAITS to BEIRA, DELAGOA BAY, DURBAN, EAST LONDON, PORT ELIZABETH and CAPE TOWN, calling at MAURITIUS if sufficient inducement offers, and affording the Quickest Freight Transport from the ORIENT to SOUTH AFRICA.

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FOR	STEAMERS.	CAPTAIN	TO SAIL.
SHANGHAI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA	DUMBEA.	—,	29th December.
MARSEILLES, via PORTS...	POLYNESIEN.	Lassinco,	30th December.

TRANSHIPPING on the Co's Steamers at COLOMBO for CALCUTTA, BOMBAY and AUSTRALIA, at PORT SAID for the LEVANT, CONSTANTINOPLE and BLACK SEA.

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NEXT SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG

Outward. For Shanghai, Kobe & Yokohama	**Homeward.**
S.S. PREUSSEN ....31st Dec.	For Havre, Bremen & Hamburg S.S. ALTMARK ....25th Dec.
S.S. O.J.D. AHLERS ...14th Jan.	For Marseilles, Rotterdam, & Hamburg
S.S. BELGRAVIA ......16th Jan.	S.S. FURST BULOW ....29th Dec.
S.S. SPEZIA ....28th Jan.	For Marseilles, Havre & Hamburg
S.S. SAXONIA ....4th Feb.	S.S. C. FERD. LAEISZ...2nd Jan.
S.S. SCANDIA ....9th Feb.	For Rotterdam, Antwerp and Hamburg
S.S. HOERDE ....24th Feb.	S.S. GOLDENFELS ......13th Jan.

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NOTICES TO CONSIGNEES

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SAN FRANCISCO, JAPAN PORTS & MANILA.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo per Steamship CHINA.

The above-mentioned vessel having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby notified to send in their Bills of Lading for countersignature and to take immediate delivery of cargo from alongside. Cargo impeding discharge will be landed into the Company's Godown at West Point at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo undelivered by FRIDAY, December 26th, 1913 at noon will be landed into the Company's Godown at Consignees' risk and expense.

Cargo remaining undelivered on TUESDAY, Jan. 5th, 1914 at noon in addition to landing charges will be subject to storage charges

No Fire Insurance whatever will be effected.

All chafed and otherwise damaged cargo will be examined at the above Company's godown on MONDAY, January 5th, 1914, at 10 A.M.

No claims will be entertained unless accompanied by short delivery note or list of exceptions taken at the time of delivery to Consignees and signed for and on behalf of the Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

All claims must be filed on or before January 23rd, 1914, otherwise they will not be recognized.

R. C. MORTON,
Agent.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1878

'SHIRE' LINE OF STEAMERS, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE, COLOMBO AND STRAITS.

THE S. S. *Den of Crombie* having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Ld., whence and/or from the wharves, delivery may be obtained.

Goods not cleared by the 2nd January at 6 p.m. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged packages are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on 2nd January at 9.00 A.M. Claims against the steamer must be presented within 10 days of arrival otherwise they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.
Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 23, 1913. 1879

AMERICAN & MANCHURIAN LINE.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM NEW YORK & COLOMBO,

THE Steamship KANDAHAR, Captain W. KEARLEY, having arrived from the above Port, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of the HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF AND GODOWN CO., LTD., at Kowloon, and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

All Broken, Chafed, and Damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on MONDAY, 29th instant, 1913, at 10 A.M.

All Claims must be presented within fifteen days of the steamer's arrival here after which date they cannot be recognised.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th instant will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

SHEWAN TOMES & CO.
Agents.

Hongkong, Dec. 12, 1913. 1873

'MOGUL' LINE OF STEAMERS.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE STEAMSHIP *GHAZEE.*

FROM GLASGOW, LIVERPOOL AND STRAITS.

CONSIGNEES of Cargo are hereby informed that all Goods are being landed at their risk into the Godowns of HOLT'S WHARF at KOWLOON, whence and/or from the Wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 27th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 24th prox. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 27th inst., at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

DODWELL & Co., LTD.,
Agents, MOGUL LINE.

Hongkong, Dec. 20, 1913. 1869

'BEN' LINE OF STEAMERS

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM ANTWERP, MIDDLESBRO', LONDON AND STRAITS.

THE Steamship BENLAWERS.

Consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed at their risk into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Co., Limited, Kowloon, whence and/or from the wharves delivery may be obtained.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 26th inst. will be subject to rent.

All claims against the steamer must be presented to the Undersigned on or before the 31st inst. or they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the [illegible] inst. at 11 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading [illegible]

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CHRISTMAS LIQUEURS

Pints and Quarts.

PEPPERMINT	Marie Brizard
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CHERRY BRANDY	Heering
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STEAMERS PASSED SUEZ CANAL.

November 28, *Peleus, Eden Rickmers, Theseus.*

December 2, *Bendoran, Yannan, Peiho, Chinosa, Rhenus.*

December 5, *Dumbea, Koerber, Kitano Maru, Lutzow, Somali, Tranquebar, Preussen.*

December 9, *Dunbar, Glenroy, Hyson, Indrani, Peking, Sumatra, Metford Hall, Poleric.*

December 12, *Bohemia.*

December 16, *Antenor, Belgravia, Bengloe, Denbigh Hall, Japan, Prinz Ludwig, Vowaerts, Indraghiri.*

December 19, *Iyo Maru, Macedonia, Persia, P. E. Friedrich, Glenfarg, O. J. D. Ahlers.*

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

Mails.

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* arrived at Shanghai at 6 a.m. on the 22nd Dec., and left at 3 p.m. on the same day, due to arrive at Hongkong at 8 a.m. on the 25th Dec.

The N. D. L. s.s. *Luetzow* carrying the German Mails with dates from Berlin of the 26th November, left Singapore on Saturday, the 20th December, at 6 p.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 25th Dec., at daylight.

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of Russia* left Vancouver on the 5th Dec. a.m.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s s.s. *Manchuria* sailed from Yokohama on Tuesday, the 16th Dec., between 2 and 4 p.m. via Manila.

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of India* left Vancouver on the 20th Dec., a.m.

Other Vessels

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Arratoon Apcar* from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 18th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 24th Dec., p.m.

The B.I.S.N. Co.'s s.s *Gregory Apcar* from Shanghai and Kobe, left Moji on the 2?th Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 24th Dec., a.m.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Nyanza* is expected to arrive at Colombo on the 24th Dec., at 4 p.m.

The I. C. S. N. Co., Ltd's. s.s. *Kwongsang* left Shanghai on the 20th Dec., due Hongkong on the 24th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Hakata Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Yokohama for this ports via port via ports on the 13th Dec., and is expected here on the 25th Dec.

The Mogul Line s.s. *Lennox* from United Kingdom, left Singapore on the 18th Dec., and is therefore due here on or about the 25th Dec.

The N. D. L. s.s. *Coblenz* left Kuchinotsu on Sunday, the 21st Dec., at 2 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Thursday, the 25th Dec., at daylight.

The H. A. L. s.s. *Altmark* left Shanghai on the 22nd Dec., a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 25th Dec., a.m.

The I. C. S. N. Co., Ltd.'s s.s. *Kingsing* left Dalny on the 21st Dec., due Hongkong on the 26th Dec.

The B. I. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Dunera* from Yokohama and Kobe, left Moji on the morning of 22nd Dec., and may be expected here on or about the 26th [illegible]

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Rangoon Maru* (Bombay Line) left Kobe for this port on the 19th Dec., and is expected here on the 26th Dec.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s s.s. *Nankin* left Singapore for this port on the 21st Dec., at 4 p.m., and is due here on the 27th Dec., at about 6 a.m.

The Shire Line Ltd.'s s.s. *Den of Glamis* left Seattle on the 25th November due Hongkong on the 28th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Atsuta Maru* (European Line) left Yokohama for this port via ports on the 17th Dec., and is expected here on the 29th Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kitano Maru* (European Line) left London for this port via ports on the 22nd Nov., and is expected here on the 31st Dec.

The Shire Line Ltd.'s s.s. *Monmouthshire* from London passed the Canal on the 25th November, due Hongkong on the 30th Dec.

The Danish s.s. *Tranquebar* left Port Said on Friday, the 5th December, and may be expected here on or about the Wednesday, the 31st Dec.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Kirin Maru* (Calcutta Line) left Calcutta for this port via ports on the 12th Dec., and is expected here on the 1st January.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Inaba Maru* (Bombay Line) left Bombay for this port on the 15th Dec., and is expected here on the [illegible]

The [illegible] Line Ltd.'s s.s. *Solveig* left Seattle on the 25th November, due Hongkong on the 3rd January, 1914.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Awa Maru* (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 6th December, and is expected here on the 5th January.

The Indra Line s.s. *Indrakuala* sailed from Japan Dalny &c., due Hongkong on the 7th January, 1914.

The Shire Line s.s. *Glenroy* passed the Suez Canal on 9th Dec., and is due here on or about the 12th Jan.

The Danish motorship *Annam* left Port Said on Saturday, the 20th December, and may be expected here on or about Wednesday, the 14th January.

The Glen Line s.s. *Glenfarg* passed the Suez Canal on the 19th Dec., and is due here on or about the 15th Jan.

The N. Y. K. s.s. *Shidzuoka Maru* (American Line) left Seattle for this port via ports on the 16th Dec., and is expected here on the 18th Jan.

Latest Advices.

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* arrived at Vancouver between 2 and 4 p.m. on the 21st Dec.

The C. P. R. Co.'s R.M.S. s.s. *Empress of Japan* arrived at Nagasaki at 8 a.m. on the 23rd December, left at 3 p.m. on the same day, due to arrive at Kobe at 5 p.m on the 24th December.

The P. M. S. S. Co.'s *Nile* will sail from Yokohama, via Manila, on Wednesday, the 24th December. The mail from the United States has been transferred to the s.s. *Eastern* of the Eastern Australia Steamship Company, which company's representatives in Hongkong advised us is scheduled to arrive in Hongkong on the 31st Dec.

The N. D. L. s.s. *Prinz Eitel Friedrich* which left here on Wednesday, the 26th November, arrived at Genoa on Monday, the 22nd Dec., at 4 p.m.

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December 23, [illegible]

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Hongkong, Dec. 24, 1913. 1586

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM SHANGHAI, KOBE AND MOJI.

THE Steamship *Gregory Apcar* having arrived from the above Ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods will be delivered from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge will be landed at consignees' risk and expense into the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned.

DAVID SASSOON & Co., LD.,
Agents.

Kowloon, Dec. 24, 1913. 1584

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship
SILESIA.

Captain H. CHRISTIANSEN, having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the hazardous and/or extra hazardous Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, whence delivery may be obtained against Bills-of Lading countersigned by the Undersigned.

Optional Cargo will be carried on unless notice to the contrary be given TO-DAY.

All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival here, after which date they cannot be recognised.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 29th inst. will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods must be left in the Godowns where they will be examined on the 29th inst., at 9.30 a.m.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in any case whatever.

This steamer brings on cargo:—

Ex s.s. *Frans* from Abus.
Ex s.s. *Kong Ring* from Christiania.
Ex s.s. *Lisboa* from Setubal.
Ex s.s. *Göteborg* from Göteborg.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINIE
Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, Dec. 24, 1913. 1585

S.S. HAUSANG

THE above Steamer will be despatched on or about SATURDAY, 3rd January, 1914, for FREMANTLE [illegible] AUSTRALIA [illegible]

For freight apply to [illegible]

THE POST OFFICE.

Christmas and New Year's Holidays.

The Post Office will be open on Thursday, the 25th inst., from 8 to 9 a.m.

In the event of the arrival of the German and Canadian Mails the Post Office will be open for one hour for the delivery thereof.

On Friday, the 26th inst., the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m., and from 3 to 4 p.m., and on Saturday, the 27th inst., from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. On Thursday, 1st January, the Post Office will be open from 8 to 9 a.m. In the event of the arrival of the English Mail from Europe, the Post Office will be open for one hour for the delivery thereof.

There will be one delivery of ordinary correspondence and one collection of letters each day as on Sundays.

The Registration Branch will be open for the posting of Registered correspondence from 8 to 9 a.m. on the 25th and 26th inst., and on Saturday, the 27th inst., from 8 a.m. to noon.

The Registered Mail to the Philippine Islands, Australia, and German New Guinea by the *Coblenz* will close at 9 a.m. on Christmas Day, the 25th inst.

There will be a delivery of registered correspondence during the morning of the 27th inst.

The Money Order Office will be entirely closed during the holidays.

Please note the time of closing the mails as below during the Christmas vacation.

1st of January being a holiday, Mails per *Empress of Russia*, will be closed on Wednesday, the 31st Dec., at 6 p.m.

Mails will close for:—

JAPAN Via MOJI, *VICTORIA & *TACOMA.
Per *Seattle Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

HOIHOW, HAIPHONG, PAKHOI & *SAIGON.
Per *Hongkong*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

*SHANGHAI & *NORTH CHINA.
Per *Huichow*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & JAPAN Via KOBE.
(Europe via Siberia.)
Per *Luetzow*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

SWATOW & AMOY.
Per *Changchow*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

*SHANGHAI, & *NORTH CHINA.
Per *Hupeh*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

SWATOW.
Per *Trinanfu*, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, the 25th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & FOOCHOW.
Per *Haitan*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 26th Dec.

SHANGHAI & NORTH CHINA.
Per *Wosang*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 26th Dec.

BANGKOK.
Per *Dingwall*, at 9 a.m., on Friday, the 26th Dec.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS, ANGAUR, YAP, FRIEDERICH WILHELMSHAFEN, RABAUL, HERBERTSHOHE, MATUPI, *AUSTRALIA, *TASMANIA & *NEW ZEALAND Via *BRISBANE.
Per *Coblenz*, at 4 p.m., on Friday, the 26th Dec.

*SHANGHAI, *NORTH CHINA & *JAPAN Via *KOBE.
Per *Arratoon Apcar*, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 27th Dec.

PHILIPPINE ISLANDS.
Per *Yuensang*, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 27th Dec.

*SHANGHAI & *NORTH CHINA.
Per *Kwongsang*, at 9 a.m., on Saturday, the 27th Dec.

SHANGHAI, NORTH CHINA & TSINGTAU.
(Europe via Siberia.)
Per *Kanchow*, at 1 p.m., on Saturday, the 27th Dec.

STRAITS & INDIA Via CALCUTTA.
Per *Gregory Apcar*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th Dec.

SWATOW, AMOY & FORMOSA Via TAMSUI.
Per *Daijin Maru*, at 9 a.m., on Sunday, the 28th Dec.

SAIGON, STRAITS, CEYLON, ADELAIDE, WESTERN AUSTRALIA, INDIA, ADEN, EGYPT & EUROPE Via MARSEILLES.
Per *Polynesien*, on Tuesday, the 30th Dec.
Printed Matter and Samples at 10 a.m.
Registration at 10.15 a.m.
Registration with late fee of 10 cents up to 11.00 a.m. [illegible]
Registration Kowloon P.O. 9.30 a.m. [illegible]
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SHIPPING

ARRIVALS.

December 23.

Trinanfu, Norwegian str., 1,460, W. Juliussen, Surabaya December 13, Sugar.—CHINESE.

Sungkiang, British str., 1,600, J. Robinson, Haiphong and Pakhoi Dec. 21, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Kaijo Maru, Japanese steamer, 2,954, Minato, Karatsu Dec. 17, Coal.—M. B. K.

Silesia, German str., 2,845, Christiansen, Hamburg and Singapore Dec. 17, General.—HAMBURG AMERIKA LINIE.

Trigonia, Dutch str., 2,598, Groendyk, Singapore Dec. 15, Bulk Oil.—ASIATIC PETROLEUM Co.

Sabine Rickmers, Dutch str., 573, B. Y. Jagt, Shanghai December 18, Ballast.—ASIATIC PETROLEUM Co.

December 24.

Haitan, British str., 1,185, J. S. Roach, Foochow, via Amoy and Swatow Dec. 23, General.—DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP Co., LD.

Daijin Maru, Japanese steamer, 899, K. Murakami, Tamsui, via Amoy and Swatow Dec. 21, General.—O. S. K.

Wosang, British str., 1,127, J. Smith, Shanghai Dec. 19, and Swatow 22, General.—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., LD.

Shansi, British str., 1,228, E. B. Simson, Shanghai Dec. 20, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

Ixion, British str., 6,529, J. Riepenhausen, Tacoma Nov. 26, General.—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.

DEPARTURES.

December 24.

Prinzess Alice, for Singapore and Bremen.
Aikoku Maru, for Miike.
Fukui Maru, for Wakamatsu.
Anna, for Bangkok.
Sabine Rickmers, for Amoy.
Riojun Maru, for Singapore & Sourabaya.
Carl Diederichsen, for Hoihow & Haiphong.
Cheysang, for Swatow and Shanghai.
Pakhoi, for Port Courbet.
Wingsang, for Canton.
Chiyuen, for Shanghai.
Sardinia, for Singapore and London.
Fooksang, for Singapore and Calcutta.
Liangchow, for Shanghai.
Taming, for Manila and Iloilo.
Daiten Maru, for Moji and Kobe.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.

Per *Haitan*, from Coast Ports, Consul General Knipping, Mr T. Dallin and Mr E. Wacker.

Per *Shansi*, from Shanghai, Mr Buckingham, Mrs McIntyre.

DEPARTED.

Per *Sardinia*, for Singapore, Mr H. Kenny; for Port Swettenham, Mr D. A. A Christie; for Port Said, Mr and Mrs B. E. Manville; for Marseilles, Mr W. Schoplocher, Commander G. Y. W. Carey, R.N.; for London, Mr and Mrs W. H. Worth, Mr and Mrs T. Hill, Comdr. N. E. Archdale, Mr J. Vallence, Mr L. B. Neawood, Mr F. Steed, Lieut. Comdr. R. W. U. Bayly, Sub-Lieut. A. J. Pavin, Sub-Lieut. L. Al. Evans, Sub.-Lieut. H. M. Crockett, Sub. Lieut. J. B. A. M. Smedley, Sub. Lieut. C. D. Bury, Sub-Lieut. N. S. Weir, and Mr W. McKay.

Per *Rubi*, for Manila, Mr and Mrs Hasbrook, Mr A. C. F. Relyea, Miss H. E. Gorman, Miss L. Rodgers, Miss M. Evans, Miss M. Blakely, Miss A. Carson, Mr and Mrs J. H. Collins, Mr A. J. F. Barbosa, Mr T. W. Jackson, and Mr A. C. Cavender.

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer *Haitan* reports:—From Foochow to Amoy, moderate N.E. wind, overcast and wet weather. Amoy to Swatow, strong N.E. gale and high sea, overcast and showery weather. Swatow to Hongkong, moderate to fresh N'ly to N.N.E. winds, overcast and fine, clear weather and smooth sea.

HONGKONG REGISTER.

	Previous day at 2 p.m.	On date at 9 a.m.	On date at 2 p.m.
Barometer	30.22	30.23	30.21
Temperature	67	64	60
Humidity	72	77	67
Direction of Wind	North	North	[illegible]
Force	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]
Weather	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]

CHURCH SERVICES.

Union Church, Kennedy Road.

Services on Christmas Day at 10 a.m.
Hymns, 31, 28, 529, 29.
Preacher, Rev. J. Kirk Maconachie.

WEATHER REPORT

On the 24th at noon.—Pressure has increased slightly along the east coast of China, over N. Luzon and N. Annam. It is now decreasing slightly at Hongkong.

A depression is shown to the north-east of Hokkaido. The anticylone is moving eastward. It is now central in the neighbourhood of Shanghai.

The monsoon will probably be interrupted to the north of Foochow, but remain strong to fresh over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon to-morrow:—

1.—Hongkong and Neighbourhood: N.E. winds, fresh; fair.

2.—Formosa Channel: N. E. gale, moderating.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

EXCHANGE

Hongkong, December 24, 1913.

On London—	
Bank Wire	1/-11⅝
" On demand,	1/-11¾
" 30 days' sight	1/-11⅞
" 4 months' sight	1/-11⅞
Credits, 4 months' sight,	1/-11⅞
Documentary, 4 months' sight	1/-11⅞
On Paris—	
On demand,	245
Credits, 4 months' sight,	250
On Berlin—	
On demand,	198½
On New York—	
On demand,	47
Credit, 60 days' sight,	48
On Bombay—	
Wire,	144
On demand,	144¼
On Calcutta—	
Wire,	144
On demand,	144¼
On Singapore—	
On demand,	83¼
On Manila—	
On demand,	95
On Shanghai—	
On demand,	73⅜
30 days' sight, (private paper)	74⅜
On Yokohama—	
On demand,	94⅛
Gold Leaf, 100 fine, (per tael)	$53.90
Sovereigns (Banks' buying rate)	$10.25
Silver (per oz.)	26⅝
Bar Silver in Hongkong	3 % prem.
Chinese Copper Cash	par.
Chinese Copper Cents	10½ % dis.
Rate of Native Interest	6½ %
Chinese Sub. Coin	10½ % dis.
Hongkong Sub. Coin	10½ % dis.

SHARE LIST.—QUOTATIONS.

DECEMBER 23, 1913.

Stocks	No. of Shares.	Value.	Paid up.	Closing Quotations Cash.	Return on basis of last dividend.
BANKS.					
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank Corp.	120,000	$125	all	$790 buyers L'don. £80	5½o/o
MARINE INSURANCES.					
Canton Insurance Office Co., Ld.	10,000	$250	$50	$332½ buyers	6 o/o
North-China Insurance Co., Ld.	10,000	£15	£5	Tls. 133½	
Union Insurance Society, Ld.	12,400	$250	$100	$810 sales	6½o/o
Yangtsze Insurance Assoc., Ld.	12,000	$100	$60	$192½, @ ex 73	
FIRE INSURANCES.					
China Fire Insurance Co., Ld.	20,000	$100	$20	$161 sellers	6¾o/o
Hongkong Fire Insur. Co., Ld.	8,000	$250	$50	$380 sellers	7½o/o
DOCKS, ETC.					
H'kong & W'poa Dock Co., Ld.	50,000	$50	all	$75½ sales	o/o
New Amoy Dock Co., Ld.	16,000	6¼	all	$8¼	7½o/o
Shanghai Dock & Eng. Co., Ld.	65,700	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 54	
STEAMBOATS, TUGS, ETC.					
China and Manila S.S. Co., Ld.	80,000	$25	all	$10.10	
Douglas Steamship Co., Limited	50,000	$50	all	$30 sellers	5 o/o
H.K., C. & M. S. B. Co., Ld.	80,000	$15	all	$29, buyers	7½o/o
Indo-China S. N. Co., Ld.	60,000 60,000	£5	all	$79 sellers	L'don, £5.7.6
Star Ferry Company, Ld.	40,000	$10	all	$45 buyers	7½o/o
Shell Trans. & Trad. Co., Ld.	2,500,000	£1	all	99/-	6 o/o
Shanghai Tug & Lighter Co., Ld.	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 25	
do Preferences	10,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 45½	
REFINERIES.					
China Sugar Company, Limited	20,000	$100	all	$94½ sellers	o/o
Luzon Sugar Company, Limited	7,000	$100	all	$31 sellers	
WHARVES.					
H.K. & K. Wharf & Godown Co.	60,000	$50	all	$88 buyers	o/o
Shanghai & Hongkew Wharf Co.	56,000	Tls. 100	all	Tls. 110	
LANDS AND BUILDINGS.					
Hongkong Land Investment & Agency Company, Limited	50,000	$100	all	$114 buyers	6½o/o
Hongkong Land Reclamation Co. Ld.	25,000	$100	$75	$200	
S'hai Land Investment Co., Ld.	70,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 84	
Kowloon Land & Building Co.	6,000	$50	$30	$45	7 o/o
Wei-hai-wei Land & Building Co.	8,074	Tls. 20	all	Tls. 4½	
Humphreys Estate & Finance Co.	150,000	$10	all	$9.30 sales	5½o/o
West Point Building Co., Ld.	12,500	$50	all	$67 buyers	5½o/o
TRAMWAYS.					
The Peak Tramways Co., Ld.	25,000 80,000	$10 $10	all $1	$10½ 95 cts. buyers	7½o/o
MINING.					
Chinese Engin. Mining Co., Ld.	1,000,000	£1	all	35/-	
Tronoh Mines, Limited	160,000	£1	all	38/-	
Heawood Tin & Rub. Estate, Ld.	£82,000	2/-	all	2/6	
Raub Aus. Gold Mining Co., Ld.	200,000	£1	all	$3.10 sellers	
HOTELS, ETC.					
Hongkong Hotel Company, Ld.	12,000 2,000	$50	all $20	$122½ sellers $92	6 o/o
Manila Metropole Hotel, Ld.	15,000	Pes. 10	all	P8½ sellers	
Astor House H. Co., Ld. (S'hai)	80,000	$25	all	$5	
DISPENSARIES.					
A. S. Watson & Co., Limited	80,000	$10	all	$8 sellers	
LIGHTING.					
Shanghai Gas Company, Limited	24,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 60	
Hongkong Electric Co., Limited	90,000	$10	all	$49 sellers	4 o/o
MISCELLANEOUS.					
Green Island Cement Co., Ld.	400,000	$10	all	$6.80 buyers	
Union Waterboat Co., Limited	50,000	$10	all	$17½	5½o/o
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co.	60,000	$7½	$6	$28 by ex	5 o/o
Hongkong Ice Company, Limited	5,000	$25	all	$185 buyers	5½o/o
Shanghai Waterworks Co., Ld.	16,250	£20	all	Tls. 320	
H.K. Rope Manufactory Co., Ld.	60,000	$10	all	$22½	9½o/o
H.K. & S. C. S. Fisheries Co., Ld.	15,000	$5	all	$2	
H'kong Cotton Spinning Co., Ld.	125,000	$10	all	$7½	
Ewo Cotton Spinning and Weaving Co., Limited	20,000	Tls. 50	all	Tls. 131 buyers	[illegible]
Maatschappij tot Mijn, Bosch- en Landbouwexploitatie in Langkat	[illegible]	fl. 10	all	Tls. 34 sales	
China Provident Loan Mortgage Co., Limited	200,000	$10	all	$9	[illegible]
China Borneo Company, Limited	90,000	$12	all	$10 buyers	[illegible]
Wm. Powell, Limited	15,000	$7	all	$9½ sellers	[illegible]
South China Morning Post	8,000	$25	all	$27 sellers	
China Light & Power Company	60,000 80,000	$5 [illegible]	all all	$44 sellers	
Steam Laundry Co., Limited	80,000	$5	all	$4.65	
Société des Pulpes et Papeteries du Tonkin	12,500	[illegible]	[illegible]	$90 sellers	
H'kong Steel Foundry Co., Ld.	15,000	$10	all	$10	
Hongkong Tramway Co., Ld.	225,000	5/	all	2/3 sellers	
CIGAR COMPANIES.					
Philippine Co., Limited	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	
[illegible]					
Para Rubber in London	Per [illegible]	[illegible]			

[illegible]	Amount	[illegible]
Chinese Imperial 1886	Tls. 767,[illegible]	[illegible]

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